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CLERICAL ROLL	Year Ordained	Entered Synod	Conference	ADDRESS OF MINISTER	CONGREGATION SERVED	LAY DELEGATE	LAYMAN'S ADDRESS
Ackerman, J. Emory	1944	1944	S	8320 S. Rayford Dr., Los Angeles 45	Tranfiguration	Caspar Taw	8576 Wilshire Blvd., Bev. Hills
Allport, Thomas A.	1944	1951	N	P.O. Box 227, Lihue Kauai, T.H.	Lihue Lutheran Church		
Alm, Arthur W.	1942	1943	S	832 Marshall Blvd., San Bernardino	First English	H. B. Lewis	3132-D St., San Bernardino
Alsop, Albert	1945	1945	S	6221 Goodland Ave., No. Hollywd.	Argentine Missionary on Leave		
Anspach, Howard A., D.D.	1913	1930	S	512 N. Barbara Ave., Azusa	Calvary		
Awerkamp, Orval A.	1935	1935	S	4722 Vista St., Long Beach 3	Trinity	Oscar Pedersen	1605 Rose Ave., Long Beach
Balsley, Glen O.	1945	1947	N	1309 Tuolumne St., Vallejo	St. Paul's	William R. Perkins	1408 Carl St., Vallejo
Bartelt, Frederick H.	1946	1947	S	3857 Wellington Rd., L. A. 8	St. Mark's		
Beasom, James P., Jr., D.D.	1923	1937	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	President of Synod		
Benko, Vlad P.	1945	1949	S	4668 Tivoli St., San Diego	St. Peter's	Miss Eleanor Pinkley	1659 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., San Diego
Bergstresser, Philip W.	1944	1944	N	1824 55th Ave., Oakland	St. John's	Mrs. Fred Goodridge	2230 47th Ave., Oakland
Bitter, John C.	1917	1923	N	603 E St., Fresno 1	Wartburg		
Blough, Wm. H.	1928	1949	S	4427 Overland Ave., Culver City	Grace	Ed. L. Petersen	10830 Pickford Way, Culver City
Bonker, Milus W.	1945	1945	N	556 31st St., Richmond	Grace	F. L. Aebi	Box 1685, R.D. 17, San Pablo
Bowman, J. William	1948	1949	S	1162 N. Huntington Blvd., Pomona	Trinity	W. J. Bohm	1873 W. 4th St., La Verne
Claus, August S.	1943	1943	N	2112 Lotus Ave., Fresno 2	St. Paul's	George Schneider	Rt. 3, Box 418, Fresno
Click, E. Dale	1944	1944	N	643 28th Ave., San Mateo	St. Andrew's	Mrs. Clara Phipps	1826 Leslie St., San Mateo
Clutz, Frank H.	1931	1949	S	805 E. Camelback Rd., Phoenix,	Faith	Gordon B. Berryman	4130 N. 18 Pl., Phoenix, Ariz.
Crouser, Clarence F.	1930	1930	N	187 N. Tenth St., San Jose	Grace	George F. Kohl	1221 Fairview Ave., San Jose
Daly, Thomas J.	1939	1948	S	245 N. 20th St., Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	Mary F. Daly	245 N. 20th St., Las Vegas, Nev.
Dorn, J. George, D.D.	1915	1927	N	1135 O'Farrell St., San Francisco 9	St. Mark's	William Capel	761 Walnut St., San Carlos
Ederma, Bruno	1925	1951	S	420½ N. Ave. 66, Los Angeles 42	D. P. Field, Agent, NLC.		
Endter, Donald W.	1945	1945	S	3108 Via Corona, Montebello	St. Paul's	Stephen C. Saunders	241 W. Arlight St., Monterey Park
Failing, L. A.	1934	1946	S	1627 N. Landis St., Burbank	Luther Memorial	Emil Wickenhoefer	1440 N. Myers, Burbank
Fellner, M. John	1948	1949	S	2064 5th St., San Fernando	St. Mark's	William Bock	15741 Lassen St., San Fernando
Flora, George	1936	1951	N	2440 Walnut Grove Ave., San Jose	San Jose Mission		
Foerster, John D.	1943	1951	S	908 Church St., Redlands	First English	Edward A. Lagerquist	618 Alvarado St., Redlands
Forsyth, Willis J.	1946	1946	S	11613 E. Bryant Rd., El Monte	Redeemer		
Garman, Quentin P.	1944	1947	S	1368 Law St., San Diego 9	Christ	Lloyd Bolin	5661 Beaumont St., La Jolla
Glidewell, Jack W.	1949	1950	S	Box 1673, Globe, Arizona	St. Paul's	John Distad	213 Carico, Globe, Ariz.
Gray, Louis G., ThD.	1921	1951	N	1417 Jasmine St., San Mateo	Redwood City Mission		
Hamme, H. Edward	1931	1947	N	448 S. Beretania St., Honolulu, T.H.	Honolulu	George A. Rinker	Honolulu, T.H.
Heinecken, F. W.	1930	1945	S	4144 9th St., Riverside	Trinity	Robert M. Hammar	7157 Potomac St., Riverside
Hidy, Ross F.	1942	1945	N	3095 Hillegass Ave., Berkeley 5	St. Michael's	William Scheehl	5924 Contra Costra Rd., Oakl.18
Hintz, Waldemar G.	1943	1951	N	831 16th St., CHA, 3, Honolulu 18	Pearl Harbor		
Holand, Clifford B.	1927	1938	S	625 21st Pl., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	Glenn D. Jackson	715 17th St., Santa Monica
Hudson, Guy L.	1930	1930	S	8838 Rosewood Ave., L. A. 48	Beverly Hills	Phil E. French	260 S. Maple Dr., Beverly Hills
Jensen, Everett J.	1943	1950	N	4903 Kahala Ave., Honolulu 15	St. Paul's		
Knudten, Arthur C., Ph.D.	1930	1943	N	921 Saginomiya Nichome Nakanoku Tokyo, Japan	Japanese Luth. Theo. Sem.		
Kohler, Henry Irving, D.D.	1919	1930	S	7011 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 3	Bethany	H. G. Vogel	7700 Miramonte Blvd., L. A. 1

Lindsay, H. C.	1931	1940	S	1120 N. Third St., Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	William Rasmussen	402 E. Colter, Phoenix, Ariz.
Linton, Kenneth E.	1947	1948	N	417 S. Oregon St., Yreka, Calif.	Zion	Frank D. Skidmore	509 E. Lennox, Yreka
Lorimer, Harold J.	1944	1944	S	900 Story Pl., Alhambra	Grace		
Lucas, Herman	1923	1925	N	544 Belvedere St., San Francisco 17	St. Matthew's	Albert L. Gercke	10 Pemberton Pl., San Francisco 14
Mattson, Edward J., S.T.D.	1927	1947	N	235 Stanford Ave., Berkeley 8	Ex. Director, Lutheran Welfare Council of Northen California		
Mertz, Louis F.	1946	1947	S	5633 Wardlow Rd., Long Beach 8	Lakewood	Mrs. N. A. Lange	5432 Brittain St., Long Beach 8
Meyer, Christian H.	1944	1951	S	14301 Martha St., Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	Wayne Pfundstein	4917 Matilija Ave., Sherman Oaks
Miley, Charles A.	1929	1946	N	810 Harrison Ave., Fresno	First	Clarence Bourzac	526 Ferger Ave., Fresno 4
Miley, Dwight L.	1926	1947	N	722 29th Ave., San Francisco 21	First	Charles F. Graber	210 11th Ave., San Francisco 21
Miller, Eldon R.	1944	1944	N	15 Latona St., San Francisco 24	Temple	Ray B. Scherer	115 Bixbee, San Francisco
Moyer, Carl H.	1933	1950	N	1331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond	St. James		
Nickel, Raymond L.	1945	1951	S	2071 So. Broadway, Santa Ana	Santa Ana		
Olson, Goodwin T.	1929	1951	N	725 Lansing Way, Fresno 4	Fresno Mission		
Oslund, J. Edward	1938	1938	N	5 Sunnyside Dr., Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	H. Jerome Seim	711 Victory Heights, Reno, Nev.
Reed, R. Bertram	1937	1950	S	5027 Ambrose Ave., Hollywood	Hollywood	David M. Lingle	6777 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood
Robison, David E.	1937	1947	S	6444 So. Glengarry Ave., Whittier	Salem	Oscar Evenson	10722 Rose Hedge Dr., Whittier
Romeis, H. Paul	1931	1936	S	2246 Paloma St., Pasadena 7	Trinity	Irving E. Quist	2154 Crawford St., Altadena
Romeis, Robert S.	1938	1938	N	1709 L St., Sacramento 14	St. John's	Richard W. Nielson	5311 D, Sacramento
Ruccius, Walter M.	1917	1951	S	1109 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara	Grace	Berger Anderson	522 W. Micheltorena, Santa Barbara
Scherer, Henry H.	1928	1943	S	1329 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles 6	Advent	Martin H. Smedberg	3840 S. Figuero St., L. A. 37
Scholl, Titus R.	1938	1946	S	197 W. Foothill Blvd., Altadena	Altadena	Mrs. Walter Johnson	3000 N. Glen Ave., Altadena
Schwertz, Albert B., D.D.	1924	1941	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	First English	Howard A. Weisman	110 N. Detroit St., Los Angeles 36
Shandrick, Albert J.	1948	1949	N	P. O. Box 686, Central Valley	St. James'	Alfred H.von Allworden	Project City, Calif.
Smith, Charles P.	1938	1943	S	2721 E. Florence Ave., Huntington Park	St. Luke's	Rudolph L. Kluck	6931 Wilcox Ave., Bell
Smith, Frederick A., Th.D.	1931	1945	S	1371 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 15	Ex. Sec., Luth. Welfare Council, So. Calif.		
Soldan, A. J., D.D.	1901	1925	S	11421 Waterford St., Los Angeles 24	Westwood Village		
Spindt, George A.	1945	1945	S	1919 E. Silver, Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	Erle Glidewell	437 E. Hermosa, Tucson, Ariz.
Spirer, Edward N.	1930	1931	S	6616 Irvine Ave., North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	Luther R. Vestergard	12255 Laurel Terrace Dr., N. Holly
Stuhr, Walter M.	1931	1948	S	328 S. Marengo Ave., Alhambra	Our Saviour's	Peter Erlandson	2624 S. Orange Grove, Alhambra
Stump, John P.	1940	1948	S	1308 Salisbury Rd., La Canada	Ev. Lu. Ch. in Foothills	Robert L. Waters	Crescent Dr., Montrose
Swanson, Franklin A.	1938	1942	N	16248 Carolyn St., San Leandro	Epiphany	E. R. Gower	1208 Paradise Blvd., Hayward
Tambert, Carl V.	1932	1946	S	1303 N. Brand, Glendale	First	Robert Inslee	1448 E. Garfield, Glendale 5
Ulrich, G. L.	1922	1949	S	742 27th St., Manhattan Beach	Trinity	W. S. Sitch	2529 Pacific Ave., Manhattan Bch.
Valbracht, Edward F.	1915	1951	S	421 S. Sunset Canyon Dr., Burbank	Bethany (supply)	Kenneth Prielipp	Box 989, Rt. 1, Norco, Calif.
Vosseler, Erwin A.	1920	1941	S	1320 2nd Ave., San Diego 1	First	Frans Strandberg	525 Orange Ave., Coronado
Wagner, Donald E.	1945	1945	N	1283 Holman Rd., Oakland 10	First English	Mrs. C. W. Remmers	3939 Forest Hill Ave., Oakland
Weaver, J. Benner	1944	1944	S	3120 W. 81st St., Inglewood	Holy Trinity	V. E. Korhummel	3933 Arlington, L. A. 8
Wharton, Paul C.	1938	1949	S	2641 Hayes Ave., Long Beach 10	Faith		
Wheatley, Robert C.	1948	1949	S	1204 W. 163rd St., Gardena	St. John's	Magnus C. Larsen	620 W. 182d St., Gardena
Wolpert, Paul H.	1943	1943	N	2940 39th St., Sacramento 17	First English	Don. V. Petersen	3042 San Carlos Wy., Sacramento 17
Bonker, Milus W.	1945	1945	N	556 31st St., Richmond	Harbor Gate (temporary)	Harold Gwyther	3520 Hoffman Blvd., Richmond
Vacant			N	1128 N St., Sanger	St. Paul's		
Vacant (Ray Nassen, supply)			N	5317 11th Ave., Sacramento 17	St. Paul's	Mrs. Elmo Russell	3118 61st St., Sacramento 17

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CHAPLAINS				
Johnson, Earl J.		1946	S	4th Regt. Combat Team, Ft. Lewis, Wash.
May, Lt. Col. Erwin T.	1931	1934	S	HQ. 2D Logistical Command (a) APO 59, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.
Schwenk, Elwood	1921	1947	N	412 Moraga Ave., Piedmont 11, Calif.
Vosseler, Lawrence C.	1941	1941	S	USS Toledo (CA 133) Chaplain's Office, FPO San Francisco, Calif.
Wright, Edwart Dewitt	1923	1937	S	U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.
RETIRED				
Becker, Otto	1912	1941	N	344 E. 92nd St., Los Angeles 3
Broyer, John R., Ph.D.	1896	1912	N	1622 Great Highway, San Francisco 22
Crouser, Wm. E., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1902	N	1147 Brace Ave., San Jose
Fieblekorn, Albert	1903	1921	S	275 N. Alta Vista, Monrovia
Groseclose, Albert L.	1911	1945	S	99 N. Chester Ave., Pasadena 4
Harshman, L. A.	1907	1944	S	1308½ Talmadge St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.
Harter, Norman N.	1895	1911	S	2506 S. Bronson St., Los Angeles 27, Calif.
Herold, J. S., D.D.	1900	1939	N	138 N. 11th St., Miamisburg, Ohio
Hoick, John Edward, D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1898	S	1091 Leighton Ave., Los Angeles 37
Hormann, Arthur, Ph.D.	1911	1947	N	P. O. Box 2922, Honolulu, T.H.
Isham, Arthur A.	1907	1912	S	832 Alvarado St., Redlands
Kohls, George H.	1913	1951	N	1221 Fairview Ave., San Jose 25, Calif.
Leech, Harvey M.	1894	1919 (1912)	S	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Maggart, C. W., D.D.	1882	1926 (1892)	S	2023 W. 82nd St., Los Angeles
Meyer, Emil	1900	1919	N	3900 Lakeshore, Oakland 10
Miller, Wm. C., S.T.M.	1899	1928	S	Wakeeney, Kans.
Mottern, Warren R., Litt.D., (P.E.M.)	1897	1909	S	211 N. Adams St., Glendale 6
Moyer, F.E.	1912	1944	S	2404 F St., San Diego 2
Oehler, Charles F., D.D.	1888	1893	S	1713 J St., Sacramento 14
Poat, Wm. F., Ll.D.	1901	1920	N	3710 Mintern St., Riverside
Schmidt, Henry F.	1895	1930	S	646 Cerritos Ave., Long Beach 12
Snyder, Daniel J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1903	1908	S	2085 Linden St., Long Beach 6
Trabert, E. A., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1919	N	21 Chestnut Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.
Weaver, H. J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1900	S	2500 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra

CONVENTIONS OF THE SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

	PLACE	Date	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	Pastors	Congregations
1	Los Angeles	1891	Rev. O. C. Miller	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Mr. John Everding	8	5
2	San Francisco	1892	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Mr. John Everding	10	6
3	Sacramento	1893	Rev. Philip Graif	Rev C. W. Maggart	Mr. John Everding	12	8
4	San Diego	1894	Rev. M. H. Stine	Rev. J. S. Simon	Mr. John Everding	16	10
5	Los Angeles	1895	Rev. C. W. Maggart	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Mr. John Everding	17	9
6	San Jose	1896	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	17	11
7	Oakland	1897	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	20	12
8	Sacramento	1898	Rev. E. Nelander, Ph.D.	Rev. J. W. Ball	Mr. John Everding	20	11
9	San Diego	1899	Rev. J. W. Ball	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
10	San Francisco	1900	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	17	10
11	Los Angeles	1901	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	10
12	Alameda	1902	Rev. William Kelly	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
13	Sacramento	1903	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	13
14	Riverside	1904	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	21	14
15	San Jose	1905	Rev. H. J. Weaver	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	24	16
16	Sacramento	1906	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	22	18
17	Redlands	1907	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	27	20
18	Santa Barbara	1908	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	20
19	Fresno	1909	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	21
20	San Francisco	1910	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	29	21
21	San Diego	1911	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	30	22
22	Los Angeles	1912	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	41	24
23	Sacramento	1913	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	42	27
24	Santa Barbara	1914	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	43	28
25	Mt. Hermon	1915	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	44	29
26	Long Beach	1916	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. M. N. Harter	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	29
27	San Francisco	1917	Rev. C. F. Oehler, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	30

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28	Pasadena	1918	Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	45	30
29	Oakland	1919	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	46	30
30	San Diego	1920	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	51	30
31	San Jose	1921	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	32
32	Los Angeles	1922	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	32
33	San Francisco	1923	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	33
34	San Diego	1924	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	35
35	San Francisco	1926	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	60	35
36	Glendale	1927	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. S. T. Himes, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	66	38
37	Oakland	1928	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	63	38
38	Hollywood	1929	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Richard H. Trojan	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	58	37
39	Sacramento	1930	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	37
40	Long Beach	1931	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	64	37
41	San Francisco	1932	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	68	38
42	Los Angeles	1933	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	65	36
43	Oakland	1934	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	62	36
44	Riverside	1935	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	64	35
45	San Francisco	1936	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, D.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	63	37
46	Phoenix, Arizona	1937	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	66	37
47	Sacramento	1938	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	37
48	Santa Monica	1939	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	60	37
49	San Jose	1940	Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	57	36
50	Los Angeles	1941	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	38
51	Sacramento	1942	Rev. Wm. H. Derr, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	38
52	Glendale	1943	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	67	39
53	San Francisco	1944	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	68	39
54	Pasadena	1945	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	83	42
55	Oakland	1946	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	90	46
56	Hollywood	1947	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	101	52
57	San Diego	1948	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	99	60
58	San Francisco	1949	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	65	61
59	Huntington Park	1950	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	73	68
60	Sacramento		Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	110	72

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SIXTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

of California

The 60th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California was preceded by a meeting of "The Committee of 500" held in St. John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento, California, on Sunday evening, January 28, 1951. The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, Pastor of the Luther Place Memorial Church, Washington, D. C., gave a stirring message on the theme, "Men and the Church."

FIRST SESSION

The Convention was officially opened on Monday evening, January 29, 1951, with the service of Holy Communion. Officiants were: Liturgist, The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary; Homilist, The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of Synod; Administrants, The Rev. Robert S. Romeis and The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, Presidents of Conferences.

SECOND SESSION

The Second Session was opened with devotions led by the Convention Chaplain, The Rev. Carl H. Moyer, on the theme, "Needed for Our Time—Faith in God's Kingdom."

The Convention was officially opened by the President of Synod, The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., using the prescribed form.

A motion was moved, seconded and carried that the members of the Executive Committee, not delegates to the convention, be given a voice on the floor of the convention.

The Secretary, The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, called the roll of Synod. Sixty-nine pastors and 56 lay delegates were present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented the printed program of Synod and the motion prevailed that this be accepted as the official program with the changes suggested by the committee.

The following guests were presented to the Convention:

Rev. Ralph Johnson, President of Council of Churches of Sacramento.
Honorable Bert Geisreiter, Mayor of City of Sacramento.
Mr. Oswalt Steinbrenner, President of St. John's Lutheran Church Council.
Dr. L. Ralph Tabor, representative of ULCA, and Pastor of Lutheran Place Memorial Church, Washington, D. C.
Rev. Bruno Ederma, NLC representative.
The Rev. George Flora, Missionary from Liberia, Africa.
Rev. Arthur Knudten, Missionary from Japan.
Dr. W. P. Hieronymous, President of Midland College.
Dr. Louis Gray, Former Missionary in Japan.
Rev. George Spindt, Returned from Europe.
Rev. Dr. Kohls.
Mr. Zeb Trexler
Rev. Oskar Kleinbergs, Latvia D. P. Pastor, serving Internship at Trinity, Riverside
Pastor Roleder of American Lutheran Church brought greetings from ALC in absence of Dr. K. Koosman.

The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., presented:

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF SYNOD

"Beloved in God the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ: Mercy unto you and peace and love be multiplied."

"AND THEY WENT FORTH . . ." Mark 16:20

"FORWARD IN FAITH" is the singular task of every believer in Christ Jesus as Lord and is the imperative command constraining the whole Christian Church upon earth. "FORWARD IN CHRIST" is the marching order of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California of the United Lutheran Church in America for this crucial year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred Fifty-One.

We are passing through tragic days; man's efforts for peace have come to naught, and a cold war has turned into a shooting war. Fear is running rampant; the terrifying uncertainty of the hours that are so rapidly passing is striking terror into the hearts of millions so that hysteria is causing men to go mad. Stupidity reigns supreme. The Devil is giving the orders to hate and kill. Kingdoms are waning before our eyes, and an era of man is passing into another.

It is because of this emergence of another day that it is so imperative that the faithful rise up to the overwhelming task of showing forth the power and the glory of the Lord that the transformation may be a transfiguration, and that the blind may see and walk forth in faith unto a happier day.

It is in our power to bring this about; we have the "Keys to the Kingdom." Are we willing to open the door and march "FORWARD IN FAITH"?

If we are, then a report of the past year is in order only in so far as it will give us the confidence that we walk not alone, but that we walk with God. He has been with us and blessed us far beyond that which we rightfully deserve. He has blessed us in spite of our own weakness of faith and our proclivity to sin. To Him we give all the praise and the glory.

Nineteen Hundred Fifty was a year of great temptation for it was a year in which we faced our greatest trials. We were warned of this a year ago; we were truly fearful of the outcome. It was difficult to venture forth in faith. We were not only trembling before an uncertain world order, but we were not sure that the expectation of the Church of Jesus Christ could be met.

STEWARDSHIP: We not only assumed an enlarged apportionment and an ongoing challenge for Lutheran World Action, but we accepted a quota far beyond anything that we had ever done before for a Christian Higher Education Year Appeal. We did this in face of the fact that a great many of our congregations were in the midst of building programs, funding efforts or in varying stages of planning for construction projects. Local demands rose as more and more souls came into our fellowship crowding our already overcrowded facilities. We did this in face of the fact that more than half of our congregations were missions assuming more and more of the demands for self-support and learning the first lessons of cooperative living in a larger church program. We did this in face of the fact that many problems were rising within our congregations; missions were being planted and transfers of many members were common; vacancies took place and interim ministries were substituted for regular pastoral care; illness, tensions, disasters and fears beset us. But God was with us, and nothing could stop us.

The treasurer's report will show that we have met our apportionment in full, although there are some of our congregations that have failed to do so. We will see that we have passed over the 100 per cent quota for Lutheran World Action; this was done in spite of the fact that some congregations gave nothing, for others gave sacrificially. And far beyond our expectation, we have raised in cash more than our quota for CHEY, although we have not reached our goals for the phases of this appeal that will bring the needed sums for our Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, but these are still covered by pledges that run for another twelve months. We close a great year of JUBILEE in the black with all bills paid in full, all benevolent commitments met or surpassed. We know and are confident that this could not have been accomplished without the consecrated pastors and lay-members of our congregations through whom God worked this great and glorious work for the extension of HIS Kingdom.

MISSIONS: But it has not only been a year of stewardship advance, it has been a magnificent year of mission development: The Pearl Harbor Evangelical Lutheran Church of Honolulu; the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Honolulu; the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Globe, Arizona; the St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Van Nuys, California; the Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church of Norco, California; the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Harbor Gate, Richmond, California, have come into being and seek fellowship with us at this convention. New work has begun at Azusa, Redding, Redwood City, Fresno and Santa Ana, California; and a new missionary has just arrived on the field to begin mission development in the San Jose-Santa Clara field in California. To all the mission developers and to all of our new brothers and sisters in these new missions, we express a joyous welcome and hearty thanks for a work well done. We assure each of our prayers and our willingness to cooperate that we may continue to grow up in the Lord.

MEMBERSHIP: We have not only seen the hand of God in our midst in Stewardship and in Mission growth, but we have seen Him as he has been adding unto the Church daily such as He would save. The statistician's report will reveal an exciting story. When most of us felt that 1950 would be a year of pruning of membership and loss of number, we were startled by the revelation of God working in spite of all our human imaginations. We have had a most magnificent growth. The Church is truly advancing in service and in love in the Lord.

CAMP YOLIJWA: We sincerely acknowledge our indebtedness to the Rev. Quentin P. Garman, the first director and the founder of Camp Yolijwa. He has given to Synod through his youth ministry a wealth that will not be understood, but which will be revealed in souls as the years pass. The year 1950 marked a transition at Yolijwa; a new director was called. In cooperation with the First Lutheran Church of Redlands, California (which is the closest congregation to the camp), the Rev. John Foerster, an able and experienced camp director, was called. He has already shown us a larger vision and his presentation at this convention will merit the serious attention of every delegate.

The Camp Committee will present to you the matter of the new camp site. We have acquired a new lease on a much better property close to the paved road. We will be able to erect here the kind of a camp that will meet our future needs.

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED: A number of improvements have been made at the Home, and we are now in the process of erecting an infirmary. This will add much to our ability to serve our aged guests. The Home's report will reveal another year with all bills paid and a reduction of indebtedness. Mrs. Genevieve Lyon is our able and consecrated superintendent. To her and her staff, we owe much.

THE EXTENSION DIVISION OF SYNOD: Truly we are Synodical Builders, for we are in the business of building church structures for our congregations. The Rev. Edward N. Spirer, soon to be honored at Midland College with a Doctor of Divinity Degree, has been untiring in his efforts to bring to us the best of church buildings. He has not only done this, but has saved the church many thousands of dollars in the process. Many of our mission congregations could not be housed if it were not for this consecrated servant of the Lord. Your president asks that you give to Pastor Spirer your wholehearted cooperation, for with this many more missions will be housed and at even greater savings to the Church.

THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY: As this report is being written, we are continuing negotiations for a property that the seminary may become a reality in the very near future. We need your prayers and your continued contributions to CHEY.

CHEY: As we stated in our paragraph on stewardship, we have passed our accepted quota in cash receipts for our Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, but a considerable amount of this is from designated funds, which will not be available for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. It will be extremely vital to this project of the two Pacific Coast Synods to complete the assignment. Every congregation should meet its minimum goals within the first twelve months of 1951. To accomplish this, it may be necessary for some congregations to put on a strenuous funding effort. The original materials are still available. They should be used. The

congregations, that may be able to do so, should raise additional funds for the drive but designate them for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION: Lutherans are playing a major role in the world. A large segment is dependent upon us for spiritual and material assistance. Many millions of dollars in mission investments overseas are endangered, which would mean the loss of a countless number of souls. Lutherans must save these for the Church. The war effort will demand that we go with the men in service with service centers again. No one will want us to neglect this urgent ministry. LWA is to all of us "Love's working arm." It will stop if we should fail to tell our people that they may share of their means. Once again we shall be on the regular schedule. Plan now for an overwhelming appeal for this spring. Don't wait. Order the materials now. Enlist your workers. Become informed. Tell the story. Expect much and much will be received.

1951 APPORTIONMENT: The word apportionment should mean to every member of Synod, God talking to us about that which He wishes us to do in 1951 for His larger Church. Our response to Him will be reflected in the red side of our envelopes. The Christian character of both individual members and individual congregations will be measured by that response. Dare we say anything but "YES" to the Lord? Remember we must go FORWARD IN FAITH.

Our apportionment will be a little larger this year due to our larger responsibility. We should take this as a privilege to participate in more important tasks. God is truly calling us to accept an appointment in the emergency.

AUXILIARIES: There are three recognized auxiliaries of Synod. Let us always remember that these are auxiliaries of Synod and responsible to Synod and are through Synod affiliated with our respective national bodies. They are the Women's Missionary Society, the Luther League and the Brotherhood. Each of these is playing an important role in the development of Synod.

The Synodical Women's Missionary Society has surpassed its giving in every department to the ULCA Women's Missionary Society, while at the same time it contributed in a very generous manner to the mission program of Synod. To these loyal women of Christ, we express our deep gratitude.

The Luther League of America has accepted as its biennial project the erection of a chapel for St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Honolulu, a mission on the territory of our Synod. Every Luther League within our Synod should be encouraged to not only meet its fair share of this project, but should go over the top. In this manner we could express to the Luther League of America our appreciation for this decision.

The Luther League project is to be known as the Milton J. Bieber Memorial of the Luther League of America. It will commemmorate the most prolific mission developer of our beloved Church. All who knew him will cherish his Christian devotion and determination. He never knew when to stop; he was a born optimist; he depended wholly upon the Lord. One of his last missions, which he organized, is our own Altadena Evangelical Lutheran Church. It is a high honor to have this memorial on our territory. We must be worthy of it.

The Synodical Brotherhood is a matter of deep concern to your synodical officers. We have held a very successful meeting of the Committee of 1,000 in Glendale and we are to hold a Committee meeting of 500 in Sacramento. With these we hope to build the Synodical Brotherhood. We urge your cooperation. Be present at the Committee of 500 and see that your men are there in great numbers.

EVANGELISM: Our Board of Social Missions of the United Lutheran Church has prepared a year around program of evangelism. This should be a part of all of our congregations. There should never be a time when we are not conscious of this grave responsibility. Every Board and Agency of the Church is ready to assist us. Especially would we call the attention of Synod to the excellent aids available through the Parish and Church School Board. We should be sure that our people are given every opportunity to become acquainted with these through the Board's institutes to be held on our territory. See the schedule in our own committee's report.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: We can never be isolationists in the Christian Church, for ours is a world mission. We are particularly blessed to have present at our con-

vention two of our own missionaries: The Rev. Arthur Knudten, Ph.D., missionary to Japan, and the Rev. Albert Alsop, missionary to the Argentine. Besides these two, we are honored by having the Rev. George Flora, former missionary to Liberia, Africa, become a mission pastor of Synod. We shall hear from these servants of the Lord. If it is possible, we should schedule these men for groups within each congregation.

OUR PASTORS: We are constantly placing more and more burdens upon our pastors, and we are delighted with the response. God has blessed us greatly with such a host of devoted servants of the King. We must not neglect those matters which will make it possible for them to continue this ministry, such as the salary, pastoral expenses, parsonage, the Family Protection Plan, the Contributory Pension Plan, etc. Many congregations provide their pastor with a car. This should be considered seriously.

Serious illnesses have entered our parsonage families, but God again has shown Himself a real help in time of trouble and has preserved them all. There are some who need our continued prayers. Let us remember one another before the throne of grace. Those who pray for one another can work with one another.

SYNOD: Your president believes that it is essential that we interpret to our people the meaning of Synod. There are those who feel that Synod is a place, an office or even a person. Synod, as we all know, means that we are walking together with the Lord. All of us together is Synod and each one of us is Synod. If we are to be a responsible Synod, we must be responsible as individuals and as congregations to the decisions of Synod as it seeks to walk together with the Lord. We have enjoyed a wonderful spirit of Christian Fellowship, but we are a growing Synod; new brothers and sisters are constantly entering into our company. It will take some time and energy to orientate these and to re-establish our own orientation from time to time that we keep in step with the Master.

Ignorance is the chief cause of disunity within the Church. An informed church is a united church. Because this is so very vital at this time in our advancement and because we are compelled by the love of Christ to play an increasingly important part in the emerging new world order, your President humbly submits to you a program for 1951 in "FORWARD IN FAITH."

I. FORWARD IN THE LORD:

a. As president of Synod, I call upon the pastors and lay members of all of our congregations to a renewed consecration to the love and service of our blessed Lord and Saviour.

b. I call upon our pastors to a renewed determination to preach only Christ and Him Crucified and to make the period of Lent 1951 a Holy Season for instruction, devotion, consecration in and to the Lord for every constituent of the parishes of Synod.

c. I call upon our lay members to pray earnestly for the Lord's will to be done, to read diligently the Sacred Scriptures for the direction of the Lord, to attend regularly the services of God's House and to serve faithfully in active participation in kingdom building to the end that the Holy Season of Lent shall become for Synod the source of divine power to meet today's tragic needs.

d. I call upon all church councilmen to put aside every unworthy and un-Christian barrier to the will of the Lord and to reconsecrate themselves to their vows of service and devotion to the Lord that they may be faithful stewards of the Lord's stupendous business.

e. I call upon all teachers and officers of all church schools and organizations of the Church to a crusade for Christ that every boy and girl and every man or woman committed into their care or those that should be under their care may know or come to know their only Saviour, Christ Jesus the Lord.

II. FORWARD IN MEMBERSHIP:

a. I call upon the congregations of Synod to place the means of grace: the Word and the Sacraments, as the primary objects for the year 1951, that provision may be made for:

1. Faithful attendance to the services of the Lord's House,
2. Regular administration of the Holy Communion for all confirmed members,

with a recording of each communicant and the issuance of cards of membership in good standing to all who commune.

3. A reclaiming of all inactive members within the parish and for the parish, and the reclaiming for the Church of all inactive members who have left the boundaries of the parish by seeking to transfer their memberships to a sister congregation of Synod or of a sister Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America.

III. FORWARD IN FAITH:

a. I call upon the congregations to enter into the year-around program of evangelism presented by the Board of Social Missions of our United Lutheran Church in America, that a survey might be made of every parish to know the potential responsibility of the congregation in souls within the parish boundaries and that an orderly procedure might be carried through to bring to Christ these souls.

b. I call upon the congregations to study faithfully the program, decisions and responsibilities of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of California that there might be an integration of our various congregations into a mighty band of faithful disciples to exert its impact in Christ for righteousness, justice, peace and salvation upon that portion of the vineyard committed into our care.

c. I call upon the congregations to cooperate in the whole program of the whole Church through the calendar of causes of the United Lutheran Church in America in parochial education and stewardship, that in this period of total mobilization the Church will be mobilized and marching forward in faith.

Your President submits the following statistics for the year 1950:

RESIGNATIONS:

June 15, 1950, The Rev. George H. Lovekamp, St. Paul's, Sanger
September 15, 1950, The Rev. Howard A. Lenhardt, Altadena, Altadena
October 11, 1950, The Rev. Titus R. Scholl, Our Saviour's, Tucson
December 31, 1950, The Rev. Theodore A. Youngquist, St. Paul's, Sacramento

INSTALLATIONS:

March 19, 1950, The Rev. Albert Shandrick, St. James, Central Valley
April 2, 1950, The Rev. Thomas Allport, Lihue, Lihue, Hawaii
May 28, 1950, Dr. Walter M. Ruccius, Grace, Santa Barbara
September 17, 1950, The Rev. John Foerster, First, Redlands
October 22, 1950, The Rev. Titus Scholl, Altadena, Altadena

DISMISSALS:

September 15, 1950, The Rev. Howard A. Lenhardt, The New York Synod
December 31, 1950, The Rev. Theodore A. Youngquist, The Ohio Synod

ORGANIZATION OF CONGREGATIONS:

January 22, 1950, St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Honolulu, Hawaii
January 25, 1950, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii
March 26, 1950, St. Andrew Ev. Lutheran Church, Van Nuys
May 14, 1950, St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Globe, Arizona
September 24, 1950, Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church, Norco
November 22, 1950, Ev. Lutheran Church of Harbor Gate, Richmond

DEDICATIONS:

January 22, 1950, First Ev. Lutheran Church, San Francisco
February 19, 1950, Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Alhambra (parish house)
June 25, 1950, St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Monterey Park
September 10, 1950, Lakewood Ev. Lutheran Church, Long Beach
September 12, 1950, Ev. Lutheran Church in the Foothills, La Canada
September 24, 1950, First Ev. Lutheran Church, Fresno (parish house)
November 26, 1950, Beverly Hills Ev. Lutheran Church, Beverly Hills

DROPPED FROM THE MINISTRY:

November 26, 1950, The Rev. George Lovekamp

CALLS:

August 27, 1950, The Rev. Titus R. Scholl, Altadena, Altadena

November 12, 1950, The Rev. George Spindt
May 28, 1950, The Rev. John Foerester
December 31, 1950, The Rev. Walter M. Stuhr
January 15, 1950, The Rev. Waldemar Hintz
December 31, 1950, C. H. Meyer

Your president closes his report with an expression of gratitude to all who have had a part in the work of synod for the year of 1950. What has been accomplished is not the results of any one person's efforts, but is the composite of many faithful servants working together under the guidance and blessing of the Lord. Your president recognizes without the Lord's help in bringing this about that another picture would be related in this report. Thus he enters upon another year of service in the office of the presidency of Synod without any false estimate of his own wisdom or ability but with complete confidence in the Lord's, knowing that with Him new battles will be won, the borders of His kingdom will be extended and we will be more than conquerors marching forward in faith.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES PRINCE BEASON, JR.

The motion was made and seconded that the report be received and referred to the Committee on the President's report. The motion was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Henry Scherer presented:

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

Fathers and brethren:

As I return again to you the office with which you have entrusted and honored me for seven years, I do it with sincere thanks. Thanks are due the pastors, who have submitted reports that were in the main prompt and accurate. Minor errors were corrected with promptness and courtesy. (A cartoon even, from one clever artist). Fervent thanks are due Our Heavenly Father for His rich grace toward us. Upon becoming statistician in 1944 there were 39 churches and 6,000 communicants. Now there are 72 congregations and 15,000 communicants.

Since the first Church statistician took office, the favorite gibe at him has been, "Do you think Numbers is the only book in the Bible?" This compiler of figures does not think so, but he would respectfully remind the brethren that the book of Numbers IS in the Bible. And when we look for a benediction to use at the close of the worship service each Lord's Day we find it in the book of Numbers.

To a pastor with warm heart and clear vision numbers are not a "gripe" or an irksome chore. The numbers in the parish register and the parochial report sheet bring a benediction. Can you list with unmoved heart the number of children brought to God at your font? Do you with dry eyes record the adult baptisms, when they include that fine young husband who has never before found Christ? Can you persuade a young missionary pastor's family that a new line of figures ($14,000 for parsonage) in the parochial report is just some figures, when it symbolizes a home at last, after moving each year from rented house to rented house? Is there anything cold about putting down $50,000 as church property value for a congregation that has dedicated a building after years of dreams and sacrifices? Every name in our parish register is a soul over whom the Good Shepherd has made us His Under-Shepherd. May we never think of our parish register as a tiresome chore, but spiritual bookkeeping to thrill our souls. Well kept parish records are a witness to the world of the moving of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of people whose lives the Gospel has touched.

The first three reports came from: 1. Fresno, Wartburg; Pastor John C. Bitter; 2. San Leandro, Pastor Franklin A. Swanson; 3. Sacramento, St. Paul's, Pastor Theodore Youngquist. For churches with 300 or more communicants there was a four-way tie for first place: Los Angeles, First English, Pastor Albert B. Schwertz; North Hollywood, Pastor Edward N. Spirer; Phoenix, Faith, Pastor Frank H. Clutz; Tucson, Pastor George A. Spindt (report sent by Pastor C. N. Swihart). The latest report from the Southern Conference came from Norco, Pastor-Organizer F. W. Heinecken. Your

statistician will gladly excuse any other late reports from pastors who bring in a new congregation for a reason. The latest report from Northern Conference and from Synod came from Honolulu, Pastor H. Edward Hamme.

Some of the increases over 1949:

Child Accessions 168

Adult Accessions 210

With six new missions giving us 454 adult accessions and 265 child accessions it shows that our task of evangelism was not so well done in 1950 as in 1949 in already established churches.

Baptized membership grew 2915 or 9.61% to reach 33,257
Confirmed membership grew 1678 or 8.11% to reach 22,255
Communing membership grew 1264 or 8.71% to reach 15,783

Other increases include:

Men's groups	8	167 members
Women's groups	5	394 members
Youth groups	9	6 members
Catechumens		375
Seminary Students		7
Students in Lutheran Schools		13
Students in other colleges		6
Property value		$485,115
Debt grew but		128,186
Apportionment		66,288
Total expenditures		61,094

The only two losses were in Mixed Groups, 3, with a loss of 85 members and in Congregational expenses which dropped $5,194.00.

May God make us better stewards in 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHERER

The report was adopted.

CALIFORNIA SYNOD GROWTH

Year	Commun. Member	Member Gain	%	Rank in ULCA	Apportmt. Paid	Rank in ULCA
1950	15,783	1,264	8.71		116,068	
1949	14,519	1,083	8.06	15	106,565	10
1948	13,436	861	6.85	15(tie)	100,307	13
1947	12,575	1,800	16.80	18	58,637	14
1946	10,775	1,785	19.86	19	48,168	15

Year	No. of Churches	Rank in ULCA	S.S. Pupils	Property Value	Total Expends.	Rank in ULCA
1950	72		11,925	4,649,978	1,139,078	
1949	66	16	9,683	4,164,863	1,077,984	12
1948	61	16	8,346	3,803,306	941,696	11
1947	59	16	7,751	2,923,529	759,155	10
1946	52	17	6,480	2,188,774	590,050	13

COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP:

	1. Glendale	1026
&	2. Phoenix, Grace	867
—	3. Los Angeles, First English	860
	4. Sacramento, St. John's	787
	5. Hollywood	584
	6. Richmond, Grace	558
	7. Long Beach, Trinity	527
	8. Inglewood	425
&	Tie Pasadena	425

Key to Symbols:

& Gain in comparative standing.

— Loss in comparative standing.

* Not in last year's first ten.

L Loss in actual membership.

*	&	10. Phoenix, Faith	412
		11. Santa Monica	385
		12. San Francisco, St. Mark's	375
L	—	13. North Hollywood	368
	—	14. Huntington Park	365
	—	15. Los Angeles, Advent	342
	—	16. San Diego, First	332
	&	17. Oakland, First	304
	—	18. Tucson	300
		19. Sacramento, First English	280
	&	20. San Bernardino	269
	—	21. Alhambra, Grace	263
	—	22. Fresno, First	260
	&	23. Berkeley	235
	&	Tie San Diego, Christ	235
	—	25. Riverside	210
	—	26. Vallejo	207
	&	27. San Mateo	195
		28. San Jose	182
	&	Tie Whittier	182
		30. Culver City	175
L	—	31. Beverly Hills	168
	&	32. Altadena	166
	—	33. Fresno, St. Paul's	145
	—	34. Santa Barbara	143
	&	35. Burbank	140
	&	36. Los Angeles, St. Mark's	138
	&	Tie Westwood	138
	—	38. San Francisco, St. Matthew's	132
L	—	39. Honolulu, Honolulu	130
	&	40. San Leandro	129
	&	41. La Canada	122
	&	Tie Reno	122
		43. Oakland, St. John's	115
	&	44. Los Angeles, Transfiguration	113
	&	45. San Fernando	110
L	—	46. Long Beach, Faith	105
	&	47. Monterey Park	104
	&	48. Sacramento, St. Paul's	101
L	—	49. Los Angeles, Bethany	100
	&	Tie San Francisco, First English	100
	—	51. San Francisco, Temple	94
L	—	52. Gardena	87
L	—	Tie Redlands	87
	&	54. Lakewood	86
		55. San Diego, St. Peter's	85
	—	56. Manhattan Beach	80
	—	57. Pomona	77
New		58. Van Nuys	74
	—	59. Las Vegas	72
	&	60. Richmond, St. James	71
New		61. Honolulu, St. Paul's	61
	—	62. Yreka	59
	—	63. Sanger	54
	—	64. Alhambra, Our Saviour's	53
	—	65. El Monte	50
New		Tie Richmond, Harbor Gate	50
	—	67. Lihue	35
New		68. Norco	33
L	—	69. Fresno, Wartburg	32
New		70. Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	30
	—	71. Redding	30
New		72. Globe	27
		Total	15,783

COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP GAINS:

*	&	1.	Phoenix, Grace	93x
	—	2.	Phoenix, Faith	88xx
	&	3.	Sacramento, St. John's	86x
New	*	4.	Van Nuys	74
*	&	5.	Berkeley	62xx
New	*	6.	Honolulu, St. Paul's	61
	—	7.	Los Angeles, First English	60
	&	8.	San Diego, Christ	52xx
New	*	9.	Richmond, Harbor Gate	50
	*	10.	San Mateo	50xx
	&	11.	Hollywood	45
	&	12.	Whittier	41xx
New		13.	Norco	33
	&	14.	Los Angeles, Transfiguration	32xx
	&	15.	San Francisco, First English	31xx
New		16.	Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	30
	&	17.	Altadena	29xx
	&	18.	Richmond, Grace	28
	—	Tie	San Leandro	28xx
	—	20.	Culver City	27x
New		Tie	Globe	27
	&	22.	Pasadena	25
	&	Tie	Richmond, St. James	25xxx
		24.	Reno	21xx
	&	Tie	San Bernardino	21
	&	26.	Burbank	20x
	—	Tie	Inglewood	20
	—	Tie	Long Beach, Trinity	20
	&	29.	Lakewood	19xx
	—	30.	Glendale	18
	&	31.	Monterey Park	17x
	&	32.	Sacramento, First English	15
	&	33.	San Diego, St. Peter's	14x
	—	34.	Alhambra, Our Saviour's	13xx
	&	Tie	Los Angeles, St. Mark's	13x
	—	36.	San Jose	13
	&	37.	Oakland, St. John's	11x
	—	38.	Riverside	10
	—	Tie	Sacramento, St. Paul's	10x
	—	Tie	San Fernando	10x
	—	Tie	Westwood	10
	&	42.	Fresno, First	9
	—	Tie	La Canada	9
	&	Tie	San Francisco, St. Mark's	9
	—	45.	Yreka	7x
	—	46.	Huntington Park	6
	—	Tie	Pomona	6
	—	Tie	San Francisco, Temple	6
	—	Tie	Vallejo	6
	&	50.	El Monte	5x
	—	Tie	Lihue	5x
	—	Tie	Los Angeles, Advent	5
	—	53.	Oakland, First	4
	—	Tie	Santa Monica	4
	&	55.	Alhambra, Grace	2
	—	56.	Santa Barbara	1
			Total	1,436

Key to Symbols:

& Gain in comparative standing.

— Loss in comparative standing.

* Not in last year's first ten.

L Loss in actual membership.

x 10% gain

xx 20% gain

xxx 50% gain

NO GAINS:

Fresno, St. Paul's
Las Vegas
Manhattan Beach
San Diego, First
San Francisco, St. Matthew's
Sanger

LOSSES:

—	1.	Gardena	45
—	2.	Los Angeles, Bethany	33
—	3.	Honolulu, Honolulu	29
—	4.	North Hollywood	17
	Tie	Beverly Hills	12
—	Tie	Redding	12
—	Tie	Tucson	12
	8.	Redlands	6
—	9.	Fresno, Wartburg	5
—	10.	Long Beach, Faith	1
		Total	172
		Net Gain	1,264

PERCENTAGE COMMUNING:

				Percentage (%)
		1.	Phoenix, Grace	96.44
New	*	2.	Norco	94.29
	&	3.	San Diego, Christ	93.25
	—	4.	Phoenix, Faith	93.21
*	&	5.	San Mateo	92.42
	&	6.	Oakland, First	90.48
	G	7.	Reno	89.71
New	*	8.	Richmond, Harbor Gate	89.29
*	&	Tie	San Francisco, First English	89.29
L	—	10.	Pomona	88.53
	&	11.	Altadena	87.83
L	—	12.	Sacramento, St. Paul's	85.59
L	—	13.	Glendale	84.46
L	—	14.	Lakewood	84.31
L	—	15.	Los Angeles, Advent	84.07
L	—	16.	Richmond, Grace	83.66
	&	17.	Culver City	83.33
	&	18.	Inglewood	83.17
	&	19.	Alhambra, Our Saviour's	81.54
L	—	20.	Sacramento, St. John's	81.28
L	—	21.	Richmond, St. James'	80.68
L	—	22.	San Leandro	78.66
New		23.	San Fernando	78.57
New		24.	Honolulu, St. Paul's	78.21
	&	25.	Santa Barbara	77.30
L	&	26.	La Canada	77.23
	&	27.	San Bernardino	75.99
	&	28.	Sacramento, First English	75.47
L	—	29.	Westwood	75.00
	&	Tie	Los Angeles, St. Mark's	75.00
	&	31.	North Hollywood	74.65
L	—	32.	Las Vegas	74.23
L	—	33.	Tucson	73.89
	—	34.	Pasadena	72.90
	—	35.	Santa Monica	72.50
	—	36.	Berkeley	71.87
	&	37.	Long Beach, Faith	70.95
	L	38.	Manhattan Beach	70.80

Key to Symbols:

G Gain in percentage.

L Loss in percentage.

& Gain in comparative standing.

— Loss in comparative standing.

* Not in last year's first ten.

PERCENTAGE COMMUNING: **Percentage (%)**

	L	39.	Whittier	70.27
	—	40.	Los Angeles, Transfiguration	70.19
L	—	41.	San Francisco, Temple	69.63
L	—	42.	Vallejo	69.00
L	—	43.	Huntington Park	68.48
L	—	44.	Alhambra, Grace	67.96
	&	45.	Oakland, St. John's	67.65
L	—	46.	Monterey Park	67.53
		47.	Los Angeles, First English	66.97
L	—	48.	Yreka	65.56
	&	49.	Honolulu, Honolulu	65.33
L	—	50.	Long Beach, Trinity	65.22
	&	51.	Burbank	64.52
	—	52.	Fresno, First	63.57
	&	53.	Hollywood	62.13
	—	54.	San Jose	61.28
New		55.	Van Nuys	57.81
L	—	56.	Redlands	57.24
New		57.	Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	56.60
	—	58.	El Monte	55.56
L	—	Tie	San Diego, St. Peter's	55.56
L	—	60.	Redding	52.63
L	—	61.	Riverside	52.18
L	—	62.	San Diego, First	51.79
L	—	63.	San Francisco, St. Matthew's	51.56
L	—	64.	Gardena	50.88
New		65.	Globe	50.00
L	—	66.	San Francisco, St. Mark's	49.60
L	—	67.	Beverly Hills	49.41
	—	68.	Lihue	46.67
L	—	69.	Los Angeles, Bethany	42.92
L	—	70.	Sanger	37.76
	—	71.	Fresno, St. Paul's	34.28
L	—	72.	Fresno, Wartburg	18.60

Average for Synod 70.92

The Rev. Henry Scherer presented:

THE REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH

This was another year that richly manifested God's grace in our midst.

With a National goal of 10% annual increase in communing membership, Synod gained 1,264 members, or 8.71%. Of the 66 churches reporting in 1949, 26 gained 10% or more in communing members: Alhambra (Our Saviour's); Altadena, Berkeley, Burbank, Culver City, El Monte, Lakewood, Lihue, Los Angeles (St. Mark's and Transfiguration), Monterey Park, Oakland (St. John's), Phoenix, (Faith and Grace), Reno, Richmond (St. James'), Sacramento (St. John's and St. Paul's), San Francisco (First), San Diego (Christ's and St. Peter's), San Fernando, San Leandro, San Mateo, Whittier and Yreka.

You have to keep running to keep even in California Synod. Again we find 16 congregations gaining in communicants and losing comparative standing in membership.

The ten top churches in membership gains finds six new churches in each of the three headings: "Baptized", "Confirmed", and "Communing".

Total giving has increased, with the average giving per confirmed member sharply raising from $40.23 to $51.17.

Though some congregations did not pay 100% apportioned benevolence, extra giving by others enabled Synod to pay in full.

Eight churches grew into the next hundred communing members: Phoenix (Grace) 800; Phoenix (Faith) 400; Berkeley (back again) and San Diego (Christ) 200; Sacramento (St. Paul's); Monterey Park; Los Angeles (Transfiguration) and San Francisco (First, back again), 100.

Five congregations attained the next 250 higher confirmed listing: 1250—Los Angeles (First); 750—San Francisco (St. Mark's); 500—Inglewood; 250—Berkeley (back again); San Diego (Christ).

Eight churches grew to the next 250 mark in baptized membership: 1500—Glendale; 1000—Santa Monica; 500—Riverside and Vallejo; 250—La Canada, Los Angeles (Transfiguration), San Mateo and Westwood.

SOME GAINS

1940		1950
7,940,225	Population of our territory	11,926,612
	Population gain	51%
13,689	Baptized members in Synod	33,257
	Baptized gain	143%
.0017	% ULCA Lutherans in population	.0028
	Baptized ULCA members per 10,000 population	28
5,252	Communicants	15,783
36	Churches	72
$1,189,627	Property Value	$4,649,978
23,403	Total Benevolence	257,518
176,438	Total Expenditures	1,139,078

HOW WELL DO WE HOLD OUR MEMBERS?

Rank in Synod 10 year	Congregation	1950 Adult accessions	1950 Gain in communicants	1941-1950 10 year gain communicants
Tie 53.	Berkeley	94	62	53
24.	Fresno, First	47	9	148
72.	Fresno, St. Paul's	23	None	Loss 70
69.	Fresno, Wartburg	1	Loss 5	5
28.	Honolulu, Honolulu	34	Loss 29	130 (5 yrs.)
Tie 63.	Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	57	30	30 (1 yr.)
Tie 50.	Honolulu, St. Paul's	80	61	61 (1 yr.)
Tie 59.	Lihue	8	5	35 (5 yrs.)
Tie 21.	Oakland, First	30	4	174
48.	Oakland, St. John's	20	11	64
Tie 63.	Redding	24	Loss 12	30 (2 yrs.)
Tie 30.	Reno	25	21	122 (4 yrs.)
5.	Richmond, Grace	164	28	488
Tie 55.	Richmond, Harbor Gate	56	50	50 (1 yr.)
47.	Richmond, St. James'	38	25	71 (5 yrs.)
18.	Sacramento, First	43	15	181
4.	Sacramento, St. John's	149	86	513
37.	Sacramento, St. Paul's	28	10	101 (6 yrs.)
53.	San Francisco, First	44	31	55
Tie 19.	San Francisco, St. Mark's	103	9	175
Tie 42.	San Francisco, St. Matthew's	7	None	80
57.	San Francisco, Temple	31	6	38
67.	Sanger	4	None	19
Tie 50.	San Jose	47	13	61
29.	San Leandro	71	28	129 (2 yrs.)
15.	San Mateo	61	50	195 (7 yrs.)
14.	Vallejo	66	6	207 (8 yrs.)
52.	Yreka	19	7	59 (4 yrs.)
49.	Alhambra Grace	72	2	62
Tie 54.	Alhambra, Our Saviour's	20	13	53 (2 yrs.)
23.	Altadena	53	29	166 (7 yrs.)
66.	Beverly Hills	38	Loss 12	21
26.	Burbank	39	20	140 (5 yrs.)
Tie 19.	Culver City	34	27	175 (6 yrs.)
Tie 55.	El Monte	15	5	50 (4 yrs.)
68.	Gardena	49	Loss 45	14
1.	Glendale	128	18	676

Rank in Synod 10 year	Congregation	1950 Adult accessions	1950 Gain in communicants	10 year gain 1941-1950 Communicants
65.	Globe	98	27	27 (1 yr.)
Tie 21.	Hollywood	35	45	174
39.	Huntington Park	47	6	97
6.	Inglewood	67	20	425
Tie 30.	La Canada	39	9	122 (3 yrs.)
40.	Lakewood	33	19	86 (4 yrs.)
46.	Las Vegas	26	None	72 (3 yrs.)
36.	Long Beach, Faith	23	Loss 1	105 (6 yrs.)
10.	Long Beach, Trinity	106	20	268
8.	Los Angeles, Advent	78	5	342 (7 yrs.)
71.	Los Angeles, Bethany	20	Loss 33	Loss 55
2.	Los Angeles, First	165	60	621
61.	Los Angeles, St. Mark's	17	13	34
33.	Los Angeles, Transfiguration	56	32	113 (4 yrs.)
Tie 42.	Manhattan Beach	33	None	80 (2 yrs.)
58.	Monterey Park	34	17	36
62.	Norco	35	33	33 (1 yr.)
11.	North Hollywood	75	Loss 17	253
16.	Pasadena	47	25	187
7.	Phoenix, Faith	113	88	412 (6 yrs.)
3.	Phoenix, Grace	164	93	540
44.	Pomona	21	6	77 (4 yrs.)
Tie 59.	Redlands	23	Loss 6	35
32.	Riverside	65	10	114
25.	San Bernardino	44	21	142
12.	San Diego, Christ's	80	52	235 (4 yrs.)
35.	San Diego, First	69	None	107
41.	San Diego, St. Peter's	43	14	85 (6 yrs.)
34.	San Fernando	38	10	110 (2 yrs.)
38.	Santa Barbara	32	1	99
13.	Santa Monica	37	4	234
9.	Tucson	98	Loss 12	300 (6 yrs.)
45.	Van Nuys	128	74	74 (1 yr.)
27.	Westwood	47	10	138 (9 yrs.)
17.	Whittier	70	41	182 (5 yrs.)

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP IN CALIFORNIA SYNOD

Year	Churches with membership of: 100-199	200-299	300 and up	Largest Congregation	
1892	4	2	—	San Francisco, First English	260
1895	5	1	—	San Francisco, First English	218
1900	2	3	—	Los Angeles, First English	240
1905	5	—	2	Sacramento, St. John's	310
1910	3	1	2	Los Angeles, First English	340
1915	6	1	4	San Francisco, St. Mark's	533
1920	7	1	2	Los Angeles, First English	520
1925	11	2	2	Los Angeles, First English	503
1930	10	4	1	Fresno, St. Paul's	433
1935	14	4	1	Hollywood	350
1940	11	8	3	Hollywood	410
1945	9	10	9	Glendale	658
1950	24	8	18	Glendale	1,026

Year	Number of Confirmed Members not Communing	Percentage of Confirmed Members not Communing
1950	6,472	29.08%
1949	6,058	29.44%

1948	5,913	31.08%
1947	5,219	29.33%
1946	5,574	34.09%

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP OF AVERAGE CONGREGATION

ULCA	% Communing	Gain over last year	Year	Calif. Synod	% Communing	Gain over last year
215	67.06%	4	1945	195	62.59%	7
224	68.26%	9	1946	207	65.91%	12
225	68.01%	1	1947	213	70.67%	6
227	69.06%	2	1948	220	68.92%	7
			1949	220	70.56%	0
			1950	219	70.92%	—1

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. HENRY SCHERER

The report was adopted.

The President announced the appointment of the following Convention Committees:

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Rev. Quentin Garman, Chairman; Rev. J. George Dorn, D.D., Mr. Rudolph Kluck, Mr. Franz Strandberg.

CLAIMS:

Rev. Charles Miley, Chairman; Mr. Carl Bell, Mr. Wayne Pfundstein, Rev. Erwin Vosseller.

LETTERS AND PAPERS:

Rev. Clarence Crouser, Chairman; Mr. William Capel.

TELLERS:

Rev. Glen O. Balsley, Chairman; Rev. Eldon Miller, Mr. Luther Vestergard, Mr. F. L. Aebi.

PUBLICITY:

Rev. E. Dale Click, Chairman; Rev. Robert S. Romeis, Mr. Richard Nielson.

CONVENTION REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN:

Rev. Titus Scholl.

CHAIRMAN OF LAYMEN'S MEETING

Mr. Leo Johnston.

EXCUSES:

Rev. Frank Clutz, Chairman; Mrs. Elmo Russell.

ASSISTANT TO SECRETARY:

Miss Selma Brechlin.

The motion prevailed that the following reports be adopted:

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The Archives of Synod are safely stored in a metal filing cabinet in the Synodical President's office. In addition to duplicate copies of the Minutes of Synod, the following publications have been placed on file:

"One Hundred Golden Years," the Centennial History of St. Mark's Lutheran Church of San Francisco.

The programs of the Synod of California, The American Lutheran Church, The Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Pacific District of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, together with the programs of the Women's Missionary Conventions held in joint sessions in San Francisco May 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 1949.

The scholarly pamphlet by Dr. John R. Broyer on **"Jesus in Pagan and other Texts."**

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN EDWARD HOICK

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

God in His all-wise and merciful providence has not seen fit to remove any of our pastors from the church militant to the church triumphant during the past year. For this we give Him all praise and glory. But in His infinite love He called unto Himself a beloved co-worker in Christ, Mrs. Jennie Burnett Gruber, widow of the Rev. Oscar Gruber. In her memory, Synod records this report.

Mrs. Jennia Pike Gruver, widow of the late Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D., died in Oakland, California, at the age of 73, on April 1, 1950, after a long illness. Daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. G. Burnett, who were pioneers and active lay workers in the organization of the Synod of California, she was married to Dr. Gruver, then pastor of the First English Lutheran Church of Oakland, in 1904. She is survived by two children, Robert E. Gruver, of Oakland, and Mrs. A. Barrett Andrews, of Fallon, Nevada, and two grandchildren, David and Raymond Andrews. Funeral services were held in Oakland on April 4, with Pastor Ross Hidy, of St. Michael's Lutheran Church of Berkeley, of which the deceased had been a member, in charge. Pastor Hidy was assisted by Dr. Earnest A. Trabert, pastor emeritus of her church. Interment was in Cypress Lawn Cemetery, San Francisco.

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. HOWARD A. ANSPACH

REPORT ON THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

The California Lutheran Home for the Aged, Alhambra, California, has now had three years of existence. In this period it has grown from a Christian idea and prayer into a living, dynamic reality. For three years, it has met all of its obligations, reducing its indebtedness materially and increasing its assets annually, while at the same time ministering to those whom almighty God has given to us as our guests. During the past year there have been thirty-seven of these. We are happy to have been able to be of some assistance to make life both a little happier and secure for them. A number have been given medical aid both at the home and through the home at hospitals.

In His providence, the Lord called unto Himself five of our family. To his loving care we have committed them, knowing that in His House there are many mansions prepared for those who believe in Him.

To assist in the care of those who are ill, the Board of Trustees has prepared plans and has had them approved by both the state and local authorities for an infirmary at the Home, which will care for six at any one time. It will have the outward appearance to conform with the other cottages. Besides the rooms for the patients, there will be a nurses office, reception room and utility room. Construction will begin this month and will be under the direction of the Synodical Division of Church Extension.

The financial information regarding the home can be found in the report of the comptroller of Synod who acts for the Board of Trustees of the Home.

The Board expresses its gratitude to all who have assisted in making the work at the home a success. A host of friends through our congregations send canned goods for the annual ingathering and supplies and gifts at other times. The Women's Fellowship chapters have grown in interest and activity from which the home has received many benefits. The So. Conference W.M.S. began a fund which

has resulted in the purchase of a new station wagon (Pontiac) for the Home. The pastors of synod have served often as chaplain for worship services, which are held each Lord's Day and on the great festival days of the church. Daily devotions are held. A very active Women's Missionary Society is at the home assisting in many ways and contributing to the synodical causes.

The Board is delighted to have on its staff a group of consecrated servants of the Lord. To them it expresses its sincere appreciation:

Emma Boell	Mary Evans, R.N.	Edith Gunnerud
Dorothy Gustin	George Garland	Mrs. George Garland
Beth Miller	Margaret Miskievitch	Leo B. Froke, M.D.

Genevieve Lyon, R.N., Superintendent

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES PRINCE BEASOM, JR.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Another year filled with God's rich blessings has passed. The greatest highlight in this year was reached on October 22 when the Third Anniversary Jubilee and Groundbreaking Ceremony of the new Infirmary was held at the Home. Approximately a thousand friends of the Home gathered to take part in this impressive ceremony. A beautiful program of music by combined choirs of our churches under the direction of the Rev. Charles P. Smith was presented. The sermon by the Rev. John D. Foerster of Redlands was most inspiring. When the Rev. Dr. James P. Beasom, President of Synod, turned the first shovel of earth, a prayer of gratitude to God went up from all hearts present that this goal had been attained.

It was eventful that all five chapter presidents were in attendance and brought greetings. They are Mrs. W. J. McCleod, Bay area; Mrs. George Miksch, Fresno; Mrs. H. H. Roloff Sr., San Diego; Mrs. Arthur Alm, Valley Chapters; Mrs. Carsten Alm, Los Angeles. The contribution in offerings for this day toward the erection of this hospital unit totaled over $2,000.

The growth in all chapters is noteworthy. Memberships and Memorials, gifts to the House, are increasing and an all-inclusive report of all these will be printed in the Golden State Lutheran.

The Fall Ingathering was continued throughout the Synod, and a large quantity of staple and canned foods were brought in to augment the larder at the Home for which much gratitude is expressed to all congregations. We do wish to especially thank the pastors for bringing this appeal so earnestly before their members.

The Los Angeles Chapter continues to maintain a $500 sustaining fund and contributes $100 a month towards the maintenance of the Home. Its present membership numbers over three hundred.

The Chapters have now adopted a unified program—two yearly all-membership meetings, one meeting in January when election of officers are held, a spring meeting at which memberships and memorials are emphasized, four Board meetings a year and a Fall Ingathering the Sunday before Thanksgiving. With such a program, alive, active interest in this noble work will be maintained through the gracious will of God and the cooperation of His servants.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DORCAS T. DENTMAN, Director

THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

Because of the increasing cost of books which makes it difficult for many pastors to purchase and read as many of the new publications as they would like, and to encourage many of our pastors to read more books, the publication committee has been planning a revolving book club for all pastors of Synod who are interested. At the fall conference a number of men indicated their desire to participate; we hope others will signify their interest in the plan at this Synod Convention.

The club will probably operate somewhat like this: a selection of 10 or 12 books will be made by the committee from the recommendations of some of our seminary authorities in the ULC. Every pastor enrolled in the club will pay at the outset an average purchase price of one book. Each month of the year, he will receive one of the books in the revolving club at the end of which he will send it on to the next pastor. By the end of the year, he will have had opportunity to read 10 or 12 books and will be privileged to keep the book which he received last. The plan is not in final form yet, so we solicit any suggestions from the pastors of Synod concerning the details and the execution of the plan. We anticipate having the club in operation relatively soon.

The Los Angeles Branch of the United Lutheran Publication House continues to merit the support of the Lutherans in the California, Pacific, and Rocky Mountain Synods. On July 1, 1950, the third complete fiscal year was concluded with gross sales amounting to $70,000. This was double the sales of the fiscal year ending July, 1949. The Branch already has outgrown the store on Sixth Street, and it is hoped that additional space will be available soon.

Again Mr. Howard Logan expresses his appreciation to our ULC churches for their support of the store and also to our brethren in other Lutheran bodies to whom a large part of the gross sales continues to be made. We encourage again our congregations and pastors who are not purchasing from our western branch as they might do so. You can't get better merchandise or service anywhere else.

We should like to point out a few items of general interest in connection with the operations of the ULPH. First, it is certain now that the New Common Service Book will be ready about Advent, 1953, not before. Some churches are reluctant to purchase new hymnals now even though they need them. Therefore, the questions we must ask ourselves are these. "Can we wait for the new hymnal before purchasing and will we purchase all new books when the new hymnal is available?" Concerning this latter, it is doubtful whether most churches will.

Second, the Old Testament in the Revised Standard Version will be available in September, 1952. It will be bound in a separate book as well as together with the New Testament in one book. Incidentally, on most Bibles in the King James Version the ULPH grants a 20 per cent discount to churches, Sunday Schools, and pastors.

Third, during the last year the ULPH established in Philadelphia its own manufacturing division of vestments and paraments. Heretofore, the ULPH was dependent on other facilities which didn't always prove too reliable. After the initial stages of this operation are completed, your publication house will be better able to render a much finer service in this field.

Outstanding books in 1950 from the Muhlenberg Press were: Heim's LEADING A SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL and Lilje's IN THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW. The Board of Publication is always desirous of receiving suitable manuscripts for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD W. ENDTER, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH TREASURER

Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	$ 10.30
Long Beach,	Trinity	12.43
North Hollywood,	St. Matthew's	90.00
Sacramento,	St. John's	100.00
Sacramento,	St. Paul's	75.00
San Bernardino,	First	16.22
Total receipts		$303.95

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. EDWARD N. SPIRER

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

During the year the committee was twice called on to gather combined-choir choruses for special occasions, the installation of the president of Synod, and the

fall festival at the California Lutheran Home. On these occasions choruses of 70 to 100 voices were drawn from the choirs of churches in the Los Angeles area, and sang under the direction of the chairman of the committee. The committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the directors and choirsters who cooperated so splendidly in making these occasions successful.

Also during the year, the committee was consulted frequently regarding music, organs, personnel, etc., and endeavored to give advice when asked. Questions regarding vestments for choirs continue to be raised, and the committee is happy to report that some choirs are adopting the traditional black cassock and white cotta which are the only vestments which can be considered to be in good taste according to Lutheran usage.

On December 8 a meeting was called of choir directors in the Southern Conference, for the purpose of exploring the possibilities of further cooperative efforts in the field of Church music. As a result of this meeting a Choir Director's Guild is being considered, and a committee of directors is proceeding with further plans for organization and exploitation of the great possibilities inherent in the combined strength of our choirs and church musicians.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. SMITH, Chairman
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WILLIS FORSYTHE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MINUTES OF SYNOD

The Committee on Minutes of the fifty-ninth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California held in St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Huntington Park, Calif., January 30 to February 2, 1950, have examined the Minutes of this convention and found them to be accurate and complete.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH D. LINTON, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

By the grace of God the program of the Women of the Church emphasizing Worship, Membership, and Stewardship has moved on to a glorious consummation.

For many years they have been the Strong Right Arm of Synod and their influence has made a definite impact throughout the territory. With Christian determination and vigor they have moved forward to accomplish that which seemingly is impossible, ever believing that "With God all things are possible." They have endeavored to fulfill the command of the Master, "Go."

In addition to the support of Missions at home and abroad they have contributed liberally and substantially to the California Lutheran Home for the Aged and, as a special project, helped finance a number of new missions on the field of the California Synod.

So, faithful women throughout the Church labor in many fields; the Sunday School, the Luther League and in Choirs, ever doing the one thing needful: and your committee highly commends these loyal souls for their unfailing love of the Kingdom and the Master.

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REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSION SOCIETY OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Social Mission Society of the Southern Conference, an affiliate of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod, and a Constituted Beneficiary of the Samaritan Society of Southern California, by unanimous action of the Board of Directors, December 6, 1950, merged with the Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home, for the purpose of increased membership and thereby extending its primary functions and worthy objectives. The Constitutional provisions will remain in force as formerly and only such changes as are necessary to the merger in relationship with the election of officers will be made.

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La Canada, Foothills	Rev. John P. Stump	2,280
Las Vegas, Nev., Reformation	Rev. Thomas J. Daly	2,160
Lihue, Kauai, Lihue Lutheran	Rev. Thomas A. Allport	2,160
Long Beach, Faith	Rev. Paul C. Wharton	1,860
Long Beach, Lakewood	Rev. Louis F. Mertz	2,400
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	Rev. J. Emory Ackerman	2,580
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	Rev. George L. Ulrich	2,820
Monterey Park, St. Paul	Rev. Donald W. Endter	1,680
Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Ev. Lutheran	Board Missionary Waldemar G. Hintz	2,820
Phoenix, Ariz., Faith	Rev. Frank H. Clutz	1,200**
Pomona, Trinity	Rev. J. William Bowman	1,980
Reno, Nev., Good Shepherd	Rev. J. Edward Oslund	2,520
Richmond, St. James	Rev. Carl H. Moyer	2,220
Sacramento, St. Paul	Vacant	
San Diego, Christ	Rev. Quentin P. Garman	2,640
San Diego, St. Peter	Rev. Vlad P. Benko	2,460
San Fernando, St. Mark	Rev. M. John Fellner	2,340
San Francisco, First	Rev. Dwight L. Miley	1,680
San Leandro, Epiphany	Board Missionary F. A. Swanson	2,820
San Mateo, St. Andrew	Rev. Dale Click	900
Santa Barbara, Grace	Rev. Walter M. Ruccius	660**
Santa Monica, St. Paul	Rev. Clifford B. Holand	Final 100
Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour	Vacant	
Van Nuys, St. Andrew	Board Missionary Christian H. Meyer	3,000
	Expenses	600
	Rent	900
Whittier, Salem	Rev. David E. Robison	2,520
Yreka, St. Zion	Rev. Kenneth Linton	1,980

FIELDS BEING DEVELOPED

Azusa, Calif.	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	3,120
	Rent	780
Fresno, Calif.	Board Missionary Goodwin T. Olson	3,000
	Expenses	600
	Rent	900
Redding, Calif.	Rev. Albert J. Shandrick	
Santa Ana, Calif.	Board Missionary Raymond L. Nickel	3,120
	Rent	1,080

WILL BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING JANUARY 1, 1951:

San Francisco, Temple	Rev. Eldon R. Miller
Vallejo, St. Paul	Rev. Glen O. Balsley

Recognizing God's overlordship of His Church, this report is respectfully submitted.

JAMES PRINCE BEASOM, JR.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE LUTHERAN

Last year, 1950, the time for the special emphasis on gathering subscriptions for THE LUTHERAN was changed to the months of November and December. Although many congregations indicated a new interest in THE LUTHERAN, they were unable to participate in the Synodical Plan because the number of their subscriptions did not reach the required 10 copies.

The last report received, dated November 15, 1950, shows a net increase of 78 subscriptions for the Synod. By Synod time, this number may be increased. The report shows a gain over 1949 for the Southern Conference, and a loss of 14 for the Northern Conference. Present totals are: Southern Conference 675, Northern Conference 271. This report covers only a comparison of congregations subscribing in 1949 and 1950, not counting new subscriptions entered for the first time in 1950.

While the circulation lists of THE LUTHERAN have grown nicely in the last few years, we lag far behind the other Lutheran bodies in giving support to our church paper. While we have done quite well in our synod by comparison to

other synods, we still are not placing the church paper in more than one-third of the homes of our congregations.

Again this year, THE LUTHERAN was selected by the committee which makes ratings on church papers, as being the finest in its class. However, it is of little value unless we are able to place it in the hands of our people.

The suggestions made in last year's report are still worth while, and we list them again for your guidance.

1. Read it yourself and encourage others to do so..
2. Have the church subscribe for your church council.
3. Secure a limited number and place them in the narthex for distribution, leaving a recepticle for the coins.
4. Refer to THE LUTHERAN in your announcements and sermons.
5. Have the church budget underwrite cost of subscriptions.
6. Have one of the auxiliaries promote THE LUTHERAN on full-time basis.

You know the kind of reading most people do today. Either they do little or no reading, or they read that which is not too conducive to betterment of their lives. Here is an essential aid to your ministry.

HOWARD L. LOGAN, Chairman

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

Your special committee on Evangelism makes the following report:

The cooperative effort of all National Lutheran Council Churches throughout the Nation reported the following tangible results:

1. Eighty per cent of all pastors attended the scheduled conferences.
2. One hundred fifty thousand laymen and women took part in the instruction meetings.
3. Seventy-five per cent of all parishes were represented by laymen at these conferences.
4. Forty per cent of all parishes carried out the program in full or in part.
5. Six hundred pastors, carefully selected, attended the seminars and assumed leadership of groups in various areas.
6. Twenty-four persons reached by each cooperating congregation.
7. Twenty-six thousand persons made committments.

The report for our California Synods, as analyzed by the Rev. Royal Lesher is as follows:

All pastors attended with lay representatives the conferences with four exceptions in the Southern Conference and three in the Northern Conference. A total of 499 lay workers from the Southern Conference and 327 from the Northern Conference or a total of 826 attended the instruction rallies. Analyses of total accessions has not been released yet by Chairman Lloyd Burke.

FUTURE PLANS

The Lutheran Commission on Evangelism closed its work December 31, 1950. Its successor will be The Lutheran Evangelism Council. It is composed of the directors on Evangelism of the National Lutheran Council, or officially appointed representatives from those bodies which have no directors.

The Council at its first meeting decided to publish a manual entitled "The Church Marches on in Evangelism." It will be ready for distribution by February 1, 1951. It will serve as a guide to congregations in setting up year-around programs on evangelism. It will emphasize visitation evangelism, give specific guidance for holding preaching missions, establishing family worship and intensifying the general prayer life of the congregation. It will also deal with non-resident members.

All the Lutheran bodies will use this manual as a guide in their evangelism program. However, each body will be responsible for the execution of its own program. The Board of Social Missions will therefore work through the synodical social missions committees to bring this year-round program to each congregation. It plans to hold leadership institutes in each synod. One pastor and one layman for each ten congregations will compose the institutes. The laymen are to be chosen in consultation with the Brotherhood of ULCA. Representatives from the Missionary Society and the Luther League will make up an additional lay group at the institutes.

These pastors and laymen who attend the institute will then hold area work shops for pastors. Following the pastors' workshop, the leaders will then hold a

workshop in each congregation with special emphasis on the layman's part in this year-round congregation program.

The Committee recommends, that the Synod endorse this year-round program of evangelism and invite the Board of Social Missions to conduct a two-day institute for especially chosen pastors and laymen who will then conduct area pastors' workshops and congregation workshops.

Respectfully submitted,

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM J. George Dorn, Chairman

REPORT OF HAWAII PASTOR'S COMMITTEE

The Hawaii Pastors' Committee, composed of all pastors in the Hawaiian Islands, held three meetings during this past year. The purpose of the committee has been to supply Synod with information and statistics concerning the work in Hawaii and to correlate the projects of the Synod and the ULCA among the churches of the islands.

The chief project of the committee has been to better inform the congregations of the work and progress of the sister congregations, Synod, and the ULCA through a bi-monthly paper called "The Hawaii Lutheran."

Planning joint services, entertaining of missionaries and dignitaries passing through, i.e., Mrs. Eiko Kishi, Dr. Michelfelder, and Miss Helene Harders; inviting church men from the mainland to help us in our programs, i.e., Dr. Beasom, Pastor Spirer, and Mr. G. A. Lamphear, have been some of the projects carried out by your committee.

Faithfully submitted,

H. E. HAMME, Chairman
REV. THOMAS ALLPORT
REV. WALDEMAR HINTZ
DR. ARTHUR HORMANN
REV. EVERETT J. JENSEN

The Secretary of Synod presented:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In fulfilling its constitutional functions, your Executive Committee held four regular and one special meeting since the last convention of Synod.

Your Committee arranged for the editing, printing and distribution of the Minutes of the 1950 Convention of the California Synod.

Your Committee made $2500 available to the Camp Committee for capital expenditures at Camp Yolijwa.

In accordance with the action of Synod at the last convention, the Executive Committee appointed a committee on Nominations whose report will be received at this convention.

Your Committee authorized the contribution of $1800 to the "Restricted Loan Fund" of the Board of American Missions of the ULCA.

Your Committee sent the following to the Stewardship Conference held in Denver, Colorado, on June 3, 1950: President Beasom; Pastors H. Paul Romeis, Carl V. Tambert, Robert S. Romeis; Laymen Wayne Pfundstein, Leo Johnston, Robert Cummings.

Your Committee approved a new form of organization of the Executive Committee, dividing the work of the Committee with various members thereof in charge of various phases of its activity.

Your Committee approved the plans for the erection of an infirmary at the Home for the Aged and gave approval of the cooperative plan of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Alhambra, the Home for the Aged and the Board of American Missions for the erection of a cooperative chapel on the property of the Home for the Aged.

Your Committee gave its approval of the participation of the California Synod in a joint convention of the National Lutheran bodies in Los Angeles in the Spring of 1952.

Your Committee arranged for a special celebration of the Synodical Year of Jubilee in December of 1950 and distributed materials to promote it.

Your Committee arranged for the enrolling of the President of Synod in the Family Protection Plan of the ULCA Board of Pensions and Relief and agreed that the Synod would take care of the expenses involved.

Your Committee approved the granting of aid to ministerial students as given in the report by the Committee on Ministerial Aid.

The Committee authorized the President of Synod to extend a call to the Rev. John D. Foerster to become the Director of Camp Yolijwa at a salary of $1200 annually.

Your Committee approved the acceptance on the part of the Synod of a new camp site offered by the U. S. Forestry Service and authorized the preparation of a master plan for the development of the new site for Camp Yolijwa.

Your Committee spent many hours during the past year in considering the purchase of property for our Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary and desires to pay tribute to the untiring efforts of the President of Synod and the members of the Board of Directors of the Seminary and the Chairman of the Synodical CHEY Committee for their untiring efforts in this matter. At the writing of this report a definite agreement has not been reached and we call upon all members of the Synod to continue to pray that God may open a door that this much needed institution may be established soon.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Executive Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That the following congregations be received into the Synod:
   St. Andrew Ev. Lutheran Church, Van Nuys
   St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, Globe, Arizona
   Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church, Norco
   Ev. Lutheran Church of Harbor Gate, Richmond
2. That the Synod recommend to all organized congregations that they adopt the Family Protection Plan for their pastors.
3. That the Synod reaffirm the following resolution:
   "Resolved that we reaffirm and bring to the attention of the pastors and congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California the action taken in regard to pastors entering active service with the armed forces of the United States; namely, that the pastor resign from the congregation upon his entry into the active chaplaincy."
4. That the Synod note the 60th Anniversary of the Synod at this convention and arrange for a Synod-wide celebration in the Spring or early summer of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

The motion prevailed that the report be received and the recommendations considered seriatim.

Items 1-4 were adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted.

The motion was made that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to send a telegram of congratulations to The Rev. Warren R. Mottern, Litt.D. on his 82nd birthday which will be tomorrow.

The Secretary presented the following Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California presents the following recommendations:

1. That the power to set the time and place of the 1952 convention of Synod be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee so that the Synod may participate in a united convention program of the Districts, Conferences and Synods of the Lutheran Churches represented on this territory should such be held.
2. That the Synod approve the amendment to the Constitution of the ULCA found in the Report of the Delegates to the ULCA Convention.
3. That the Executive Committee reports progress on its study of the matter of health and accident insurance for pastors and requests of the Synod the power to continue this study.
4. That we approve the revision of the constitution of the Lutheran Welfare of Northern California and that provision be made for the appointment of the necessary representatives to the Board of Directors of this organization from our Synod.

5. That we go on record as in favor of the close cooperation between the Lutheran Welfare Council of Sacramento and the Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California, and if possible that they be one organization in order to strengthen and conserve the resources of the Church for this vital work.
6. That the new Synodical Constitution prepared by the Committee on the Constitution be read at this convention of Synod and be referred to the Executive Committee for careful study during the year 1951, submitting it to the Executive Board of the ULCA, and presenting it to a subsequent convention of Synod for final action with such changes, comments and additions as may be found necessary and advisable.

The motion prevailed that the Report be received and adopted seriatim.

Item 1. Adopted.
Item 2. Adopted.
Item 3. Adopted.
Item 4. Adopted.
Item 5. Adopted.
Item 6. The motion prevailed that the proposed version of the Constitution and By-Laws be submitted to the Synod this year for study, that Synod memorialize the two Conferences to include in their agenda for their Fall meeting the careful study of the proposed Constitution of Synod and that the first reading be at the 1952 Convention.

The motion prevailed that the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee as a whole be adopted.

The Second Session of the Convention was adjourned with Prayer led by the Convention Chaplain.

THIRD SESSION

The Session was opened with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod on "Needed for Our Time—More Fervent Evangelism".

The motion prevailed that the minutes of the previous session be approved.

The following students from the Synod, studying for the ministry, were presented to the convention:

Harry Durkee Gerald Pedersen Robert Varblow

The motion prevailed that copies of the Minutes of the Sessions be airmailed to all pastors unable to attend the convention of the Synod.

The motion prevailed that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to send telegrams to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Georgia-Alabama and the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia, which bodies are now meeting in convention, expressing to them the congratulations and good wishes of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

The Secretary of Synod presented the report of the meeting of the Ministerium:

The Ministerium met in St. John's Lutheran Church on Tuesday, January 30. The meeting was opened with prayer by The Rev. Arthur C. Knudten, Ph.D.

Upon the recommendation of the Examining Committee the motion prevailed that the following be received into the membership of Synod: The Rev. Louis G. Gray, Ph.D.; The Rev. Goodwin T. Olson; The Rev. Ray L. Nickel; The Rev. George Flora; The Rev. Chris Meyer; The Rev. Bruno Ederma; The Rev. Edward F. Walbrecht, STM, D.D.; The Rev. John T. Foerster; The Rev. Walter M. Ruccius, S.T.M., D.D.

The motion prevailed that upon the recommendation of the Examining Committee of Synod the Executive Committee of Synod be authorized to ordain students graduating from our Theological Seminaries and called to congregations in Synod between the conventions of Synod.

The motion prevailed that the following be dropped from the clerical rolls of the Synod (Article VIII, Section 5):

1. The Rev. George Lovekamp because of his demitting of the Lutheran faith by being baptized into the faith of the "Disciples of Christ".
2. The Rev. Carl Miller because of his continuing ministry in the Methodist Church.
3. The Rev. Robert D. Kerstetter, because of his service in a business incompatible with the holy office of the ministry.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

The following new congregations were officially received into the Synod and delegates representing them presented to the convention:

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Honolulu, Hawaii
The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Hawaii
St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Van Nuys, California
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Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, Norco, California
Evangelical Lutheran Church of Harbor Gate, Richmond, California

The motion prevailed that Synod give recognition to the 50th Anniversary of the ordination into the ministry of Rev. William Poat, D.D., next May, and that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to express the congratulations of Synod.

The Rev. J. George Dorn presented:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Your special committee on Nominations met November 20, 1950, in St. Mark's Church, San Francisco. Those in attendance were: Messrs. Gilbert Olson, Luther Vestergaard and Revs. Carl V. Tambert, J. Benner Weaver and J. George Dorn. William Scheehl and Rev. Theodore Youngquist found it impossible to attend since the meeting first scheduled for the 19th, had to be cancelled due to plane cancellations from the South.

Out of the 27 Elective, Appointive Offices and Board Memberships, provided for in the Constitution, the Secretary of Synod informed us that ten needed to be filled. Since no information regarding the Midland College representative was available, no action could be taken.

Your Committee assumed its assignment rather reluctantly. To select ten persons out of a large Synodical Roll presents a delicate problem. This partly led us to nominate three persons for each office to be filled, with one exception, that of the Treasurer.

Your Committee was guided by two principles: 1. Qualifications for the office to be filled, and 2. Equitable distribution over the congregations of Synod.

We realize that not all will agree with our nominations, but we endeavored to be impartial and impersonal in our selections and hereby submit our nominations for your approval.

Secretary of Synod

1. Rev. Glen O. Balsley
2. Rev. Charles P. Smith
3. Rev. Paul H. Wolpert (incumbent)

Treasurer of Synod

1. Mr. Carl Bell (incumbent)
2. Mr. Arnold Liljegren

Executive Committee

One (1) clergyman from the north to be elected.
1. Dr. J. George Dorn
2. Rev. Charles A. Miley (incumbent)
3. Rev. Donald E. Wagner

Two (2) laymen from the north to be elected.
1. Mr. F. L. Aebi
2. Mr. Albert L. Gercke
3. Mr. Paul Hernstein
4. Mr. Frants A. Jensen (incumbent)
5. Mr. Leo S. Johnston (incumbent)
6. Mr. Laurence W. Varblau

Statistician

1. Rev. Dale E. Click
2. Rev. Titus R. Scholl
3. Rev. Henry H. Scherer (incumbent)

The Board for the Calif. Luth. Home for the Aged

Three (3) to be elected.

1. Dr. Howard A. Anspach
2. Mr. Fritz Bowman (incumbent)
3. Mr. Robert Cummings
4. Rev. F. W. Heinecken
5. Mr. Gilbert Olson
6. Mr. Frank P. Reiter
7. Rev. H. Paul Romeis (incumbent)
8. Rev. Henry H. Scherer (incumbent)
9. Rev. Erwin A. Vosseler

The Board of the Pacific Theological Lutheran Seminary

1. Rev. Herman Lucas
2. Dr. Albert B. Schwertz
3. Rev. Carl V. Tambert (incumbent)

President called for nominations for the office of Secretary. No additional nominations were presented. The motion prevailed that the nominations be closed. The President called for additional nominations for the office of Treasurer of Synod. No additional nominations were presented. The motion prevailed that the nominations be closed.

The President called for additional nominations for the office of Statistician of Synod. The motion was made that we dispense with further nominations until elections for the previous offices have been completed. The motion was seconded and carried.

The motion prevailed that we reconsider the previous action and include nominations for the office of Statistician and that of Archivist .

The President called for nominations for the office of Archivist. The Rev. John Hoick, D.D., was nominated. The motion prevailed that nominations be closed.

The motion prevailed that nominations for further offices be postponed until tomorrow's session.

The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, a member of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, was presented to the convention. He addressed the convention on "Currents and Tendencies in Inter-Lutheran Relationships."

The Convention Tellers reported the election of the following:

Secretary of Synod—The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert
Treasurer of Synod—Mr. Carl A. Bell
Statistician—The Rev. Henry Scherer
Archivist—The Rev. John Hoick, D.D.

By common consent the nominations for other elective offices of Synod were received at this time.

There were no further nominations for the office of Clergyman from the North on the Executive Committee.

There were no further nominations for the office of Layman from the North on the Executive Committee.

There were no further nominations for the Board for the California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

The Rev. J. George Dorn was nominated as a member on the Board of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. The motion prevailed that the nominations be closed.

The motion prevailed that the convention recess for five minutes.

The Rev. August Hintz, Pastor of the American Lutheran Church in Woodland, was welcomed to the convention.

Mr. Wayne Pfundstein, Comptroller of Synod, presented the Treasurer's and Auditor's Report.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Apportionment, Lutheran World Action, CHEY, and other Benevolences from Churches

City	Church	Apportionment	Per cent	L.W.A.	CHEY	Other	Total
Alhambra,	Grace	$ 2,088.00	100	$ 31.83			$ 2,119.83
Alhambra,	Our Saviour	324.00	100	70.00	$ 125.00	$ 45.00	564.00
Altadena,	Altadena	1,092.00	100	217.61	443.98	191.53	1,945.12
Azusa,	Calvary	76.08	100	21.50			97.58
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	1,440.00	100		250.00		1,690.00
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	960.00	100	43.50	150.00		1,153.50
Culver City,	Grace	1,200.00	101	225.00	995.35	75.00	2,495.35
El Monte,	Redeemer	360.00	100		105.45		465.45
Fresno,	St. Paul	637.50	55	12.00	262.25		911.75
Fresno,	Wartburg	300.00	100	46.00	135.00		481.00
Fresno,	First	2,091.70	104	377.00	335.51		2,804.21
Gardena,	St. John	1,056.00	100	104.40	662.14	20.00	1,842.54
Glendale,	First	8,264.00	102	2,561.39	4,557.28	4,435.01	19,817.68
Globe,	St. Paul	301.85	100		30.66		332.51
Hollywood,	Hollywood	4,308.00	100	855.72	924.70	86.50	6,174.92
Honolulu,	Honolulu	1,043.65	82	389.26	364.63		1,797.54
Honolulu,	Pearl Harbor	440.00	100	82.50	53.65		576.15
Honolulu,	St. Paul	400.00	100	100.00	278.00		778.00
Huntington Park,	St. Luke	2,870.00	100	540.00	997.42	185.00	4,592.42
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	3,240.00	100	608.00	1,040.00		4,888.00
La Canada,	Foothills	900.00	100	34.00	25.00	5.00	964.00
Las Vegas,	Reformation	591.00	103		78.00		669.00
Lihue,	Lihue	240.00	100	30.00	150.00		420.00
Long Beach,	Faith	983.21	115	92.25	186.20	126.61	1,388.27

City Church	Apportionment	Per cent	L.W.A.	CHEY	Other	Total
Long Beach, Lakewood	580.11	107	118.30	266.83	204.93	1,170.17
Long Beach, Trinity	4,056.00	100	768.00	3,118.00		7,942.00
Los Angeles, Advent	2,700.00	100	525.35	852.78	52.80	4,130.93
Los Angeles, Bethany	700.00	65		200.00		900.00
Los Angeles, First English	6,400.00	100	1,400.00	4,000.00	600.00	12,400.00
Los Angeles, St. Mark	996.00	100	131.58	171.15		1,298.73
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	648.00	100	122.00	405.00		1,175.00
Monterey Park, St. Paul	696.00	100	146.48	193.50	5.00	1,040.98
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	636.00	100	24.52	45.17		705.69
No. Hollywood, St. Matthew	3,084.00	100	693.00	1,215.00	333.95	5,325.95
Oakland, First	2,630.03	110	450.00	1,500.00	785.00	5,365.03
Oakland, St. John	828.00	100	42.25	240.10		1,110.35
Oakland, St. Michael	1,380.00	100	426.44	876.20		2,682.64
Pasadena, Trinity	3,204.00	100	1,205.45	1,890.98	2.00	6,302.43
Phoenix, Faith	2,659.50	103	510.56	804.29		3,974.35
Phoenix, Grace	6,192.00	100	1,161.00	3,870.00		11,223.00
Pomona, Trinity	593.00	105	115.40	181.76	5.00	895.16
Redding, St. James	336.00	100	1.18			337.18
Redlands, First	744.00	100	165.00	311.60		1,220.60
Reno, Good Shepherd	804.00	100	120.00			924.00
Richmond, Grace	4,236.00	100	927.20	1,581.95	651.00	7,396.15
Richmond, St. James	384.00	100	69.00	115.00	18.00	586.00
Riverside, Trinity	1,602.25	100	326.00	500.00	100.20	2,528.45
Sacramento, First	2,124.00	100	530.00	754.87		3,408.87
Sacramento, St. John	5,604.00	100	1,820.98	4,135.68		11,560.66
Sacramento, St. Paul	732.00	100	205.44	528.15	10.00	1,475.59
San Bernardino, First	1,992.00	100	382.37	454.00	5.00	2,833.37
San Diego, Christ	1,464.00	100	279.50	915.00	120.00	2,778.50
San Diego, First	2,656.00	100	498.00	830.00		3,984.00

City Church	Apportionment	Per cent	L.W.A.	CHEY	Other	Total
San Diego, St. Peter	564.00	100	63.59	180.00	29.00	836.59
San Fernando, St. Marks	804.15	100	13.84	225.24		1,043.23
San Francisco, First	552.00	100	115.85	60.00		727.85
San Francisco, St. Mark	2,928.00	100	512.60	1,273.54	170.00	4,884.14
San Francisco, St. Matthew	1,056.00	100	218.00	660.00	500.00	2,434.00
San Francisco, Temple	708.00	100	132.00	220.00		1,060.00
Sanger, St. Paul	268.76	62	22.50			291.26
San Jose, Grace	1,437.00	106	254.04	60.00	20.00	1,771.04
San Leandro, Epiphany	804.00	100	197.90	368.75	23.43	1,394.08
San Mateo, St. Andrew	1,164.00	100	290.86	372.37		1,827.23
Santa Ana	17.30	100				17.30
Santa Barbara, Grace	1,233.00	108	253.50	1,256.70	136.82	2,880.02
Santa Monica, St. Paul	3,048.00	100	572.00	528.10		4,148.10
Tucson, Our Saviour	2,496.00	100	468.00	970.00	54.77	3,988.77
Vallejo, St. Paul	1,609.14	100	397.45	670.30	125.00	2,801.89
Van Nuys, St. Andrew	358.94	100	13.00	105.00		476.94
Westwood Village			10.00		41.00	51.00
Whittier, Salem	1,129.00	100	252.00	636.00	100.00	2,117.00
Yreka, Mt. Zion	420.00	100	7.75	88.89		516.64
Harbor Gate	10.00	100		10.00		20.00
Norco, Bethany	14.10	100				14.10
Southern Conference Brotherhood					25.00	25.00
California Lutheran Home	203.90	100		5.00		208.90
Luther League—No. District				90.00		90.00
Indivduals				15.00		15.00
	$116,693.17	100.4%	$23,401.84	$49,902.12	$9,287.55	$199,284.68

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Report of Contributions to

Christian Higher Education Year (CHEY)

December 31, 1950

City Church	Quota	Amount Received
Alhambra, Grace	$1,305.00	$ —0—
Alhambra, Our Saviour	200.00	125.00
Altadena, Altadena	685.00	443.98
Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills	900.00	250.00
Burbank, Luther Memorial	600.00	150.00
Culver City, Grace	740.00	995.35
El Monte, Redeemer	225.00	105.45
Fresno, St. Paul	725.00	262.25
Fresno, Wartburg	185.00	135.00
Fresno, First	1,255.00	335.51
Gardena, St. John	660.00	662.14
Glendale, First	5,040.00	4,557.28
Globe, St. Paul	—0—	30.66
Hollywood, Hollywood	2,695.00	924.70
Honolulu, Honolulu	795.00	515.16
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	—0—	53.65
Honolulu, St. Paul	—0—	278.00
Huntington Park, St. Luke	1,795.00	997.42
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	2,025.00	1,040.00
La Canada, Foothills	565.00	25.00
Las Vegas, Reformation	360.00	110.23
Lihue, Lihue	150.00	150.00
Long Beach, Faith	530.00	186.20
Long Beach, Lakewood	335.00	266.83
Long Beach, Trinity	2,535.00	3,118.00
Los Angeles, Advent	1,685.00	852.78
Los Angeles, Bethany	665.00	200.00
Los Angeles, First	4,000.00	4,000.00
Los Angeles, St. Mark	625.00	291.40
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	405.00	405.00
Los Angeles, St. Paul	435.00	193.50
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	400.00	45.17
North Hollywood, St. Matthew	1,925.00	1,365.00
Oakland, First	1,500.00	1,500.00
Oakland, St. John	520.00	240.10
Oakland, St. Michael	865.00	876.20
Pasadena, Trinity	2,000.00	1,890.98
Phoenix, Faith	1,620.00	804.29
Phoenix, Grace	3,870.00	3,870.00
Pomona, Trinity	355.00	362.23
Redding, St. James	210.00	99.73
Redlands, First	465.00	311.60
Reno, Good Shepherd	505.00	—0—
Richmond, Grace	2,650.00	1,681.95
Richmond, Harbor Gate	—0—	10.00
Richmond, St. James	230.00	115.00
Riverside, Trinity	1,000.00	500.00
Sacramento, First	1,325.00	754.87
Sacramento, St. John	3,505.00	4,135.68
Sacramento, St. Paul	455.00	528.15
San Bernardino, First	1,240.00	454.00
San Diego, Christ	915.00	925.00
San Diego, First	1,660.00	862.10
San Diego, St. Peter	355.00	180.00

City Church	Quota	Amount Received
San Fernando, St. Mark	500.00	225.24
San Francisco, First	345.00	60.00
San Francisco, St. Mark	1,830.00	1,273.54
San Francisco, St. Matthew	660.00	685.00
San Francisco, Temple	440.00	220.00
Sanger, St. Paul	270.00	—0—
San Jose, Grace	845.00	60.00
San Leandro, Epiphany	505.00	505.00
San Mateo, St. Andrew	725.00	372.37
Santa Barbara, Grace	710.00	1,383.00
Santa Monica, St. Paul	1,905.00	528.10
Tucson, Our Saviour	1,560.00	970.00
Vallejo, St. Paul	1,005.00	790.30
Van Nuys, St. Andrew	—0—	105.00
Westwood, Village	640.00	—0—
Whitter, Salem United	705.00	636.00
Yreka, Mt. Zion	260.00	88.89
Luther League, No. District	—0—	90.00
California Lutheran Home	—0—	5.00
Individuals	—0—	30.00
Totals	$72.595.00	$51,199.98
*Pasadena, Trinity		35,000.00
	$72,595.00	$86,199.98

*Footnote:

In addition to the cash in the amount of $51,199.98, a special gift in the amount of $35,000.00 designated for use at Midland College was credited to California Synod's total Response to the CHEY Appeal.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1950

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$45,029.27	
Imprest Cash	1,010.00	
Notes Receivable	24,194.85	
Trust Deed note receivable	2,766.14	
		$73,000.26
Fixed Assets		408.49
Camp		217.55
Advance—Fidelity Bond		191.76
		$73,818.06

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Liabilities		
Withholding taxes	$ 69.45	
Accounts payable	1,056.45	
Notes payable	39,399.06	
Benevolences undistributed	13,697.03	$54,221.99
Reserves		
Special	502.65	
Designated	17,177.60	
Operational	1,915.82	19,596.07
		$73,818.06

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipts, Contributions for the Work of the Larger Church and Synod Disbursements

Year ended December 31, 1950

		Quota or Budget		Actual
Receipts				
General Apportionment		$116,172.00		116,693.17
Contributions for the Work of the Larger Church				
U.L.C.A.	$66,801.00		$66,801.00	
Midland College	5,500.00		5,500.00	
Central Seminary	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Lutheran Welfare Councils	600.00	73,901.00	600.00	75,901.00
		42,271.00		40,792.17
Synod Disbursements				
Park Churches	125.00		125.00	
Synodical Missions	9,500.00		10,203.89	
Church Convention	3,900.00		4,191.67	
General Operational	4,625.00		6,119.62	
Office Expense	14,340.00		14,431.25	
Total Synod Disbursements		32,490.00		35,071.43
		9,781.00		5,720.74
Disbursement to Home Mission Reserve (Refer to 'B' Budget 1950)		5,000.00		5,000.00
Balance		$ 4,781.00		$ 720.74

Analysis of Operational Reserves

Balance January 1, 1950	$ 6,195.08
Net Increase for the year	720.74
	6,915.82
Home Mission Reserve ('B' Budget 1949)	5,000.00
Balance Operational Reserves December 31, 1950	$ 1,915.82

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Analysis of Synod Disbursements

Year ended December 31, 1950

	Quota or Budget	Actual
Park Churches		
Yosemite	$ 75.00	$ 75.00
Sequoia	50.00	50.00
	125.00	125.00
Synodical Missions		
Home Missions	3,000.00	1,949.41
California Lutheran Home	1,500.00	1,200.00
Ministerial Education	2,000.00	1,902.54
Youth Camping	3,000.00	5,151.94
	9,500.00	10,203.89

Church Convention		
Synodical Delegate Expense	2,000.00	1,787.91
Synodical Convention	200.00	499.74
Minutes	1,000.00	1,204.02
U.L.C.A. Convention Expense	700.00	700.00
	3,900.00	4,191.67
General Operational Expense		
Golden State Lutheran	1,000.00	1,226.03
Synodical Operating	1,100.00	1,656.46
Meeting of Executive Committee	1,600.00	1,190.03
Other Committee Expense	200.00	1,427.17
Statistician Expense	100.00	96.56
Secretary of Synod's Expense	250.00	250.00
Bonding Costs of Officers	375.00	273.37
	4,625.00	6,119.62
Office Expense		
Salaries	6,000.00	6,000.00
Expenses of the Office of Pres. of Synod	4,500.00	4,500.00
Pension Plan	240.00	240.00
Office Utilities	600.00	600.00
Office Secretary's Salary	2,400.00	2,491.25
Other Salaries	600.00	600.00
	14,340.00	14,431.25
TOTAL	$32.490.00	$35.071.43

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Special Reserve

December 31, 1950

Balance December 31, 1949		$ 986.51
Add: Amortization receipts	$ 1,200.00	
Interest received	165.66	1,365.66
		2,352.17
Deduct: Camp Yolijwa capital items	649.52	
Amortization payments	1,200.00	1,849.52
Balance December 31, 1950		$ 502.65

Statement of Designated Reserves

December 31, 1950

	Jan. 1, 1950	Additions	Disbursements	Dec. 31, 1950
Special Relief	$ 500.00	$ 213.63	$ 225.00	$ 488.63
Annual Theological Lectures	600.00	—0—	—0—	600.00
Chey	3,709.95	—0—	1,000.00	2,709.95
California Lutheran Home	3,000.00	—0—	3,000.00	—0—
Mission Funds—Hawaiian	—0—	5,509.25	3,830.23	1,679.02
Mission W.M.S. Reserve	—0—	3,550.00	1,850.00	1,700.00
Home Mission Reserve	—0—	10,000.00	—0—	10,000.00
U.L.C.A. Delegate Expense	700.00	—0—	700.00	—0—
	$8,509.95	$19,272.88	$10,605.23	$17,177.60

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Schedule of Benevolences

December 31, 1950

	Undistributed Dec. 31, 1949	Receipts from, Churches	Total	Benevolence Paid	Undistributed Dec. 31 1950
United Lutheran Church in America	—	$68,801.00	$68,801.00	$68,801.00	—
Lutheran World Action	$3,520.64	23,514.38 (1)	27,035.02	27,035.02	—
Midland College	—	5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	—
Central Theological Seminary	—	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	—
Luth. Welfare Councils	—	600.00	600.00	600.00	—
CHEY	1,297.86	49,902.12	51,199.98	40,000.00	11,199.98
CHEY—Designated	—	2,497.05	2,497.05	—	2,497.05
Children of the Church	46.50	303.95	350.95	350.45	—
Foreign Missions	31.18	125.00	156.18	156.18	—
The Calif. Luth. Home	81.00	729.27	810.27	810.27	—
Luth. Student Foundation	55.00	475.00	530.00	530.00	—
Lutheran Welfare Council—No. Calif.	63.52 dr	1,060.00	996.48	996.48	—
Lutheran Welfare Council—So. Calif.	85.98	2,301.55	2,387.53	2,387.53	—
Other Benevolence	839.49	2,506.89	3,346.38	3,346.38	—
	$5,894.13	$159,316.21	$165,210.34	$151,513.31	$13,697.03

(1) Lutheran World Action

1950 Receipts	$23,401.84
1949 Adjustments	112.54
	$23,514.38

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

Synodical Missions

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Year ended December 31, 1950

DISBURSEMENTS		
Surveys	$ 277.17	
Mission supplies	2,030.20	
Property escrows	1,608.58	
Salary aid	5,310.00	
Mission assistance	3,643.65	
Taxes, insurance on parsonage	1,517.25	
Interest on mortgage indebtedness of parsonage	2,452.35	
Principal payments on parsonage mortgages	6,711.03	
Settlement on properties assumed by congregations	123.47	
Total disbursements		$ 23,673.00
RECEIPTS		
Reimbursements for supplies	$ 300.00	
Property escrows	1,012.60	
Salary aid	3,387.50	
Mission assistance	2,840.00	
Rental allowances	7,096.01	
Settlement on properties assumed by congregations	7,088.18	
Total receipts		21,724.00
Net increase of disbursements over receipts		$ 1,949.00

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CAMP YOLIJWA

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1950

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Imprest cash	$ 200.00	
Savings account	323.22	$ 523.22
Property and Equipment		
Lease and equipment	$ 2,538.30	
Furnishings	2,791.93	
Camp improvements	6,931.42	
Trailer	326.69	12,588.34
		$ 13,111.56

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Note Payable		$ 5,331.43
Advances by the General Fund		767.07
Net Worth		
Balance — January 1, 1950	$ 5,324.38	
Contributions from churches for equipment	363.34	
Amortization of Special Reserve in General Fund	1,200.00	
Increase in savings account	125.34	7,013.06
		$ 13,111.56

Reconciliation of Cash Advanced by the General Fund and Operations of Camp

Cash advanced by General Fund	$ 5,919.01
Net operational disbursements in excess of receipts— (charged to Synodical Budget)	5,151.94
Advances by the General Fund represented by Net Capital additions of $649.52 and increase in cash $117.55	$ 767.07

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CAMP YOLIJWA

Statement of Camp Operations

Year ended December 31, 1950

RECEIPTS		
Registration	$ 725.50	
Board	2,469.95	
Transportation	234.60	
Store	215.60	
Books	134.62	
Miscellaneous	167.84	
Total receipts		$ 3,948.11
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salaries, supervision	$ 1,255.00	
Salaries, other	920.00	
Food and kitchen expense	1,610.97	
Supplies	164.85	
Gas service	464.70	
Taxes	107.24	
Travel and auto expense	179.15	
Moving expenses	500.00	
Promotion and advertising	438.06	
Repair and maintenance	404.14	
Insurance and medical	294.73	

Office supplies	93.47	
Crafts and recreational supplies	81.42	
Store purchases	275.94	
Bus transportation, Southern Conference	477.75	
Bus transportation, Northern Conference	500.00	
Survey expenses	1,089.54	
Miscellaneous	143.09	
Total disbursements		9,100.05
Net decrease		$ 5,151.94

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CAMP YOLIJWA

Statement of Capital Transactions

for the Year 1950

Equipment added in 1950		
Generator	$ 489.25	
Magic Chef Stove	322.26	
Trailer	326.69	
Total additions		$ 1,138.20
Deduct Receipts from:		
Churches	$ 288.84	
Southern Conference Brotherhood	24.50	
Others	175.34	488.68
		$ 649.52

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1950

ASSETS

Current Assets			
Cash			
General account	$20,710.44		
Building account	11,967.21	$32,677.65	
Notes receivable		27,000.00	
Accounts receivable		1,991.02	
Construction accounts		5,897.13	
Inventory of materials		1,333.07	
Total Current Assets			$68,898.87
Fixed Assets			
Automotive equipment		$ 2,184.10	
Construction equipment		2,023.32	
Furniture and fixtures		669.01	
			4,876.43
Prepaid Charges			
Insurance deposits			393.00
			$ 74,168.30

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities			
Notes payable		$50,000.00	
Withholding tax		345.25	
Building account		11,967.21	
			$62,312.46
Net Worth			
Balance, January 1, 1949		$15,243.06	
Decrease for the year		3,387.22	11,855.84
			$ 74,168.30

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Statement of Income and Expenses

Year ended December 31, 1950

Income		
Church Extension Receipts	$12,802.49	
Interest	582.12	
Other income	380.00	
Total income		$13,764.61
Expenses		
Accounting service	$ 600.00	
Auto and truck expense	945.00	
Mission assistance, B.A.M.	2,300.00	
Mission assistance, other	2,815.29	
Insurance	385.73	
Interest	1,412.50	
Miscellaneous	240.42	
Office expense	569.83	
Printing	75.98	
Salaries and wages	6,407.50	
Supplies	127.04	
Repairs to equipment	85.64	
Travel expenses	1,186.90	
Total Expense		$17,151.83
Net decrease		$ 3,387.22

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Statement of Construction Costs

Year ended December 31, 1950

	Construction in progress Dec. 31, 1949	Construction costs paid in 1950	Reimbursement from Churches	Construction in progress Dec. 31, 1950
Altadena, Altadena Lutheran	$ 8,534.61	$ 5,436.40	$ 13,971.00	.....
Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills Luth.	.....	25,304.81	25,189.63	115.18
Huntington Pk., St. Luke Luth.	40.12	263.31	303.43	.....
Long Beach, Lakewood Luth.	.....	17,951.60	17,951.60	.....
Monterey Pk., St. Paul Luth.	.....	34,257.65	34,257.65	.....
Richmond, St. James	.....	1,458.75	.....	1,458.75
San Francisco, First Church	6,656.16	90.99	6,747.15	.....
San Francisco, Sunset Lutheran (Augustana Synod)	.....	473.59	.....	473.59
San Leandro, Epiphany	.....	22,668.68	18,819.07	3,849.61
San Mateo, St. Andrew	3,243.77	962.04	4,205.81	.....
Vallejo, St. Paul	345.33	1,497.00	1,842.33	.....
	$18,819.99	$110,364.82	$123,287.68	$5,897.13

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
HOME FOR THE AGED

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1950

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash	$17,903.60
Accounts receivable	600.00

Fixed Assets

	Cost	Reserve	Net	
Land	$33,500.00		$ 33,500.00	
Building	76,022.50	$ 4,278.62	71,743.88	
Furnishings	18,971.37	4,461.23	14,510.14	
Cottages	24,054.95		24,054.95	
	$152,548.82	$ 8,739.85		143,808.97
Other assets				
Food inventory			$325.00	
Stocks and bonds			100.00	425.00
				$162,737.57

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Withholding taxes	$ 146.60	
Offerings due Synod	25.05	$ 171.65
Notes payable		15,000.00
Deposit Accounts		13,154.07
Designated Funds		2,368.96
Designated Reserve from General Fund		3,000.00
Net worth		
Balance January 1, 1950	$128,264.28	
Net increase during 1950	778.61	129,042.89
		$162,737.57

HOME FOR THE AGED

Statement of Income and Expense

Year ended December 31, 1950

Income		
Receipts from churches	$ 164.50	
Appropriated receipts	2,845.75	
Receipts for care	18,865.93	
Cottage utilities	630.00	
Miscellaneous	227.06	
Interest	20.13	
Total income		$22,753.37
Expenses		
Auditing expense	$ 600.00	
Auto expense	36.62	
Blue Cross	100.70	
Food	5,585.36	
Insurance	580.69	
Interest	625.00	
Laundry expense	1,050.94	
Maintenance	1,131.15	
Medical supplies and expense	331.61	
Miscellaneous	260.00	
Postage	82.03	
Staff salaries	9,192.13	
Stationery and printing	121.09	
Supplies	93.58	
Taxes and licenses	156.20	
Telephone and telegraph	140.73	
Travel	331.25	
Utilities	1,555.68	
Total expense		$21,974.76
Net increase		$ 778.61

INSURANCE COVERAGE

The California Lutheran Home

Fire Insurance and Extended Coverage:

Furniture and Equipment	$15,500.00
Main Building	58,500.00
Gate House	4,000.00
Cottage Number One	5,000.00
Cottage Number Two	5,000.00
Cottage Number Three	5,000.00
Total	$93,000.00

Workmen's Compensation Insurance ..... Statutory

Comprehensive Liability:

Property Damage and Automobile Property Damage	$ 1M&$ 5M
Bodily Injury and Automobile Bodily Injury	$25M&$50M

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California

Burglary and Fire Insurance. Synod Office Furniture	$ 2,000.00
Fidelity Bond. President, Treasurer, Asst. Treasurer, Comptroller	$15,000.00 each
Property Floater. Construction Equipment	700.00
Fire Insurance and Extended Coverage. Camp Yolijwa	10,000.00

Public Liability, Property Damage and Comprehensive:

Chevrolet Trucks	$10M & $20M
Jeep	$20M & $40M

COMMENTS

GENERAL FUND

The cash received and disbursed during the year was traced to the bank statements and the amounts reported by the bank were reconciled with the amounts shown in the balance sheets.

Notes and accounts receivable were inspected and verified as to amounts. The amount of $217.55 due from the Camp represents the cash advanced for the Camp operations and other Camp disbursements and was not included in the Operational Budget. The advance for the Blanket Fidelity Bond covering the treasurers of the congregations in Synod is that portion of the cost of the Bonding Plan not shared by the churches at the Balance sheet date.

Accounts payable items for $1,056.45 include the amounts paid to Synod by churches for Lutheran subscriptions now due and payable to the United Lutheran Publication House.

All Notes and loans payable have been verified and are current as to terms of repayment.

The changes in the Special Reserve reflected in the balance sheet in the amount of $502.65 is detailed in a separate statement in the reports.

Designated Reserves in the amount of $17,177.60 are shown in detail on separate schedule. All additions to these reserves come from outside sources except a Home Mission Reserve for $5,000.00 designated in the 'B' section of the 1950 Budget of Synod and placed in Home Mission Reserve account with the $5,000.00 designated in the 'B' section of the 1949 Budget .

Going 'Forward in Stewardship' is 'Forward in Faith' and as you review the Statement of Receipts, Contributions for the Work of the Larger Church and Synod disbursements, you will see the results of excellent cooperation of the churches in Synod and their share in the Benevolent causes of the Work of the Larger Church.

A separate schedule of the Contributions to Christian Higher Education Year (CHEY) differs from the amounts shown in the details of CHEY as a part of the schedule for General Apportionment, Lutheran World Action, and other Benevolences in that the figures include the receipts for CHEY received in both years 1949 and 1950.

Receipts in 1949	$ 1,297.86
Receipts in 1950	49,902.12
Total	$51,199.98

The total Response to the CHEY appeal credited to the California Synod includes a special gift in the amount of $35,000.00 for use at Midland College in addition to

the cash received by Synod of $51,199.98 mentioned above, making a grand total of $86,199.98.

SYNODICAL MISSIONS

Synod continued its mission program all through the year similar to previous years. Monies are borrowed from banks, the Board of American Missions and other sources to provide capital for financing. Rent allowances and gifts are received to meet loan payments, pay taxes, interest, insurance and other mission assistance. When income from such sources is not sufficient the balance is taken from the Home Missions Budget. Assistance given to the Missions during the year in some cases is reimbursed to us by the Board of American Missions.

Synod is grateful to First Lutheran Church, Glendale, for loans to Synod totaling $60,000.00. Of this amount $23,000.00 has been used in the Church Extension Division's Working Capital for construction of Mission buildings. The balance was used in the Working Capital needed in the interim financing of Synodical Missions.

The schedule reflects the Disbursements and Receipts during the year, the net increase of disbursements being reflected in total on the analysis of Synod Disbursements under the caption of Home Missions. A significant milestone in 'Forward in Stewardship' is the responsibility of Congregations to assume full responsibility for their indebtedness. Nine churches made full settlement on properties assumed by the Congregations during the year.

CAMP YOLIJWA

In reviewing the Statement of Camp Operations, it is to be noted that the net decrease in the Camp operations in the amount of $5,151.94 greatly exceeds the $3,000.00 set up in the 1950 Budget. The Camp incurred additional expenses in our share of the expenses of moving the Camp Director and other expanded Camp operations.

During the year the assets of the Camp were increased to the extent of $649.52 details of which are reflected in the Statement of Capital Transactions.

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

The program of building and construction continued through the year as it has in the past three years. Synod, through this Division serves in a contractural relationship with the congregation as contractor, pays the cost of construction, submits statements for reimbursement, for which it receives a 10 per cent of actual cost fee. This income is used to pay all expenses of the Church Extension Division. A comparison with previous years' construction costs handled by the office follows:

1947	$ 1,022.83
1948	100,121.64
1949	208,425.92
1950	110,364.82
Total for 3 years, 2 months	$419,935.21

This decrease in amount of construction work during the year accounts in part for the decrease in the Church Extension Division's Net Worth. During the year the Division's policy relative to traveling expenses to and from the construction job was changed to charge this expense to the operating expenses instead of the job. It is to be noted, also, that the Division did not have the assistance from the Board of American Missions which was enjoyed in the previous years, instead the Division granted assistance to the Board of American Missions to the extent of $2,300.00.

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

The California Lutheran Home for the Aged, a California corporation, was organized October 31, 1947, as a non-profit corporation for the purpose of caring for the aged. A statement showing a comparison between the balance sheets for the years ended December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1950 follows:

ASSETS

	Dec. 31, 1949	Dec. 31, 1950	Increase
Cash	$ 11,981.54	$ 17,903.60	$ 5,922.06
Accounts receivable	----------	600.00	600.00
Stocks and bonds	100.00	100.00	----------
Property and equipment	143,081.46	143,808.97	727.51
Other assets	325.00	325.00	----------
	$155,488.00	$162,737.57	$ 7,249.57

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Notes payable	$ 15,000.00	$ 15,000.00	.....
Accounts payable	127.80	171.65	$ 43.85
Guests' accounts	11,258.62	13,154.07	1,895.45
Designated funds	837.30	5,368.96	4,531.66
Surplus	128,264.28	129,042.89	778.61
	$155,488.00	$162,737.57	$ 7,249.57

The source and application of funds for the California Lutheran Home during the year shows the sources of funds and the manner in which they were applied.

Source of Fund:

Increase in net worth from operations	$ 778.61
Increase in designated funds	4,531.66
Increase in advances from guests	1,895.45
Increase in accounts payable	43.85
	$7,249.57

Applied To:

Increase in accounts receivable	$ 600.00
Property and equipment	727.51
Increase cash on hand	5,922.06
	$7,249.57

CONCLUSION

The operations of Synod are in a good condition. The books and records are being improved upon as the need for more information is vital to the business operations of a Church organization. The accounts from all sources are kept current and at the present time there are no uncollectible accounts, nor are there accounts past due.

The Auditing Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Bernard Wahl, Glendale, California, reviewed the transactions of the preceding year (1949) and found them in a satisfactory condition.

I have enjoyed the experience of another year's work for the Church and appreciate more fully the tremendous task of the Work of the Larger Church. A review of these reports and the accomplishments which they represent spell out the words 'FORWARD IN FAITH' in large letters.

WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN

The motion prevailed that the Synod receive the Auditor's report and that it be approved subject to auditing under the direction of the Executive Committee of Synod.

The following retired pastors of Synod were recognized and welcomed by the convention: The Rev. Harvey M. Leech, The Rev. Chas. F. Oehler.

The motion prevailed that the report of the Committee on the Constitution be adopted.

The Rev. Chas. F. Oehler made the motion that the Session be adjourned. The motion was seconded and carried.

Following the Closing Prayer by the Convention Chaplain, separate meetings of the Conferences were held.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 8:00 p.m.

The Convention participated in "WORLD MISSIONS NIGHT" program conducted by the Synodical Women's Missionary Society with the following speakers:

On Africa.....The Rev. George Flora
On Asia.....The Rev. Arthur Knudten, Ph.D.
On South America.....Mrs. Albert Alsop
On Europe.....The Rev. George Spindt

It was followed by a reception in the Church Parlors given by the Women of St. John's Church.

FOURTH SESSION

The Fourth Session was opened on Wednesday, January 31, at 9:30 a.m. with devotions by the Chaplain on the theme, "Needed for Our Time—Peace Within."

The minutes of the Third Session were distributed and approved.

The report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was adopted.

The report on the Luther Leagues was adopted.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE

The Synod wide Luther League has enjoyed another year of activity, and, we believe, a year of fruitful accomplishment for the Kingdom.

Grace Church of Phoenix, Arizona, gave the fourth annual convention a "warm" reception (118 degrees without shade) over Labor Day week-end. Notwithstanding the holiday and the season, a large and enthusiastic group of delegates enjoyed the program and hospitality of the Phoenix and surrounding leagues.

Our committments to the Hawaiian Islands continues to be emphasized. This year, under the direction of our aggressive president, a plan for deputation teams both north and south was put into operation. These teams visit local leagues or churches when and where they are welcomed to strengthen local leagues and organize leagues where none exists.

The following officers were elected at Phoenix: Robert Gray, President; Robert Beckstrom, Vice President; Miss Barbara Gustafson, Cor. Sec.; Andrea Blough, Rec. Sec., and William Crouser, Treasurer.

Mr. Robert Beckstrom, the vice president, attended the meeting of Synodical League Presidents at Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, over the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The next convention will be held in Grace Lutheran Church, San Jose, Calif., over the coming Labor Day week-end. This convention, as well as the full League program is commended to every League and pastor of Synod.

W. H. BLOUGH

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

The Northern District Luther League has functioned actively in the year 1950. The Annual convention was held in San Mateo in May, and proved to be the largest of the past several years. Projects of the District were CHEY and the Welfare Councils.

The objective of the Luther League and particularly the Northern District League during the past year included the desire to strengthen the faith of our youth by education, inspiration, and worship. Our concern is that each pastor and local congregation will see the value of youth work, and the opportunity for strengthening that work through the Luther League program. This should begin at the District level, enlarge to the Synodical, and through them reach to the Luther League of America.

The program of the District League should be considered vital enough to have each congregation represented and active in its work. We need more pastors interested in this phase of the church's ministry. We need more young people who can and will, through the fellowship of conventions, inspire each other to greater work in the church. The District League seeks your support and cooperation in the advancing program of youth in the church.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE A. YOUNGQUIST

Mr. Ed Lawson, representing the President of the State Luther League, spoke briefly.

The Rev. Edward H. Hamme described the Kaimuki area of Honolulu where the Luther League of America is aiding in the erection of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

The Rev. Milus W. Bonker presented:

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE

The following officers were elected at the meeting held at the 60th Annual Convention at St. John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento:

President.....The Rev. Ross Hidy
Vice President.....The Rev. Milus Bonker
Secretary.....The Rev. E. Dale Click
Treasurer.....Mr. Wm. Scheehl

The Conference voted to hold its fall conference at Mt. Zion, Yreka.

The Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California and the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches each are to receive $25.00 gifts.

Respectfully submitted,

MILUS W. BONKER, Secretary

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Charles P. Smith presented:

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Southern Conference met on January 30, 1951 in connection with the 60th Convention of the Synod of California.

The following were unanimously elected as officers of the Conference:

The Rev. J. Benner Weaver.....Vice President
The Rev. Charles P. Smith.....Secretary
The Rev. Arthur Alm.....Treasurer

The Rev. Carl Tambert, elected last year for a two-year term as President, continues in office.

The Conference voted $50.00 to Lutheran World Action.

The fall Conference is to be held the second week of September in Santa Barbara.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. SMITH, Secretary

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Ross F. Hidy presented:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK

The opportunity of winning future leaders for Christ challenges each Pastor whose parish includes one of the West's numerous Colleges, Universities, or Junior Colleges. With deep gratitude we express appreciation to the Division of Student Service of the National Lutheran Council for continued guidance and leadership.

A new Lutheran Student Center is being constructed in Berkeley close to the University Campus. The new counselor, Miss Jean Gringle, is providing effective leadership in both undergraduate and graduate work. An unusual ministry with foreign students is under the direction of Mrs. George Kohls. The large foreign student enrollment at America's largest University offers ample opportunity for evangelism.

Continuing work in Southern California is being guided by Pastor Fred J. Schenk. To him and to all staff members and pastors and layworkers assisting in this ministry to students the California Synod Committee on Student Work expresses deep appreciation.

We desire to welcome to the Synod for greetings
Miss Jean Gringle, Counselor at Berkeley
Mrs. George Kohls, Counselor to Foreign Students
Mr. Howard Logan, Treasurer of the Foundation of Southern California.

The Student Work Committee,

THE REV. ROSS F. HIDY, Chairman

The report was adopted. The Rev. Ross F. Hidy presented Miss Jean Gringle, Advisor of the Lutheran students at the University of California at Berkeley, Mrs. George Kohls, wife of a former missionary in China who is doing work among foreign students at Berkeley, Mr. Howard Logan, the Treasurer of the Lutheran Student Foundation of Southern California, and Miss Norma Arneson, Western Regional Secretary, of the Lutheran Student Foundation, who spoke on the work being accomplished in this field.

The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, D.D., spoke to the Convention on "Inter-Denominational Relationships of the ULCA and the Work of the Boards and Agencies of the ULCA."

The motion prevailed that the Session be extended for twelve minutes.

The Tellers reported the election of the following:

Lay Member on Executive Board from the North—Mr. Leo Johnston.

On the Board of Directors of the Calif. Lutheran Home for the Aged—The Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D. and The Rev. H. Paul Romeis.

On the Board of Directors for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary—The Rev. Carl V. Tambert.

The report of the Social Missions Committee was presented by the Rev. Clifford Holand.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Your committee is pleased to report continued progress on the social missions front. Also we appeal for further cooperation in the year 1951.

Your attention is called to the Statistical Report of Social Mission Institutions and Agencies found on pages 92-94 of the United Lutheran Church in America Year Book of 1950.

We again express our appreciation to the Board of Social Missions of the ULC for interest and support. For the year 1951, the Board has pledged the sum of $1,000 toward the support of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California, and $500 toward the support of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Southern California, both of which organizations are headed by members of our Synod.

Grants from our Synod of $300 for the Welfare Council of Southern California and $300 for the Welfare Council of Northern California are not only an aid, but also an expression of common interest and cooperation in this all-important work of the church. Our local congregations should aid in every possible way, also.

Your committee reports progress in the coordinating of the Social Mission Society of the Southern Conference and the Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home. Reports from these organizations may be found in other parts of these Synod records.

Noteworthy gains have been made in the Synod and the ULC through our cooperation in the past year with the other churches of the National Lutheran Council in behalf of the cause of evangelism. Since evangelism is the very heart of our task as pastors and people, the members of our Synod are urged to cooperate in every possible way in promoting the all-year program as presented to us through Pastor Lesher, Director of Evangelism for the Board of Social Missions of the ULC. Attention is called particularly to the Evangelism Institute scheduled for our Synod in March, at which time the program will be further developed.

Respectfully submitted,
CLIFFORD B. HOLAND

The report was adopted.

The following special recommendations were presented and adopted:

1. Subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod and the Constitution of the Lutheran Welfare Councils of California, that the Executive Committee be authorized to enter into relations with the Lutheran Welfare Councils and to appoint two representatives to the Board of each.
2. That we refer to the Executive Board the matter of sending a representative of the Social Missions Committee to the ULCA Board of Social Missions Seminar on Marriage and the Family to be held at Wittenberg College in Ohio on June 18 to 22, 1951.

The motion prevailed that we make Evangelism a special order of business in the Session this afternoon.

The Session was closed with Prayer led by the Convention Chaplain.

FIFTH SESSION

The Fifth Session opened on Wednesday, January 31, 1951, at 2:00 p.m. with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod on the theme, "Needed for Our Time—Reconsecrated Service."

The motion prevailed that the minutes of the previous Session be approved.

Pastor Holand presented Dr. James P. Beasom, D.D., who spoke to the Convention on the "Continued Need of Aggressive Evangelism."

Pastor Holand announced that an Evangelism Work Shop would be held on March 12th in the North, and on the 13th in the South.

The motion prevailed that the action to limit the ballots to the two highest in the case of the election of the Laymen to the Executive Committee be reconsidered.

The motion prevailed that the name of the Layman receiving the third highest vote be inserted in the place of Mr. Frantz Jensen, who is unable to serve.

The Rev. J. Benner Weaver presented the report of Camp Yolijwa. He presented The Rev. John D. Foerster, the new Director of Camp Yolijwa, to the Convention.

REPORT OF THE CAMP COMMITTEE

The year of 1950 marks another year of growth and achievement on the part of the synodical camping program. We are exceedingly grateful for this sign of God's Blessing upon the work. We also deeply appreciate the loyal cooperation of the pastors and laymen who have caught the vision, and whose efforts have helped to make this report possible.

The seven week camping programs of 1948 and 1949 reveal 139 and 184 enrollments respectively. However, during 1950, 191 campers enrolled, and this is the more encouraging since only six camps were held. It was necessary to cancel the Adult Leadership Camp due to lack of enrollments.

Of these 191 campers, 67 had previously attended camps at Yolijwa. In addition, there were 12 permanent staff members, 43 faculty members, and a large number of visitors. A conservative estimate of those using the facilities of the camp during the summer would approach 400.

Churches sending the largest number of campers were: Christ Lutheran, Pacific Beach, 21; First Lutheran, Glendale, 18, and Altadena Lutheran, Altadena, 16. Campers traveling the longest distances were from: Pennsylvania 1; Globe, Arizona 2; St. John's, Sacramento 5; First English, Sacramento 2.

One of the highlights of the year was the acceptance of a call by Pastor John E. Foerster, of Stoystown, Pa., to become director of Camp Yolijwa. Pastor Foerster accepted this call simultaneously with a call to the pastorate of First Lutheran Church, Redlands. Pastor Foerster brings to the Directorship of Camp Yolijwa much experience in church camping, having been affiliated with several camps in the east, including Camp Nawakwa in Biglerville, Pa. We welcome him and his fine family to the California Synod, and assure him of our prayers and cooperation.

During the fall of 1950 the United States Forestry Service made available a new camp site, and after much study and deliberation camp committee recommended to the Executive Committee of Synod that the new site be acquired and that steps be taken to develop this new site into a model Church camp. The Executive Committee approved this action of the camp committee, and we are looking forward to the development of the new site in what we hope will be the near future.

Once again we must pay tribute to Pastor Garman and his good wife, Pastor Heincken, Mrs. Robert Inslee, Mrs. Charlotte Stotesbury, and the many others who helped to make 1950 one of our finest camping seasons. Pastor Garman has made an excellent beginning in our synodical camping development, and has done an outstanding job.

The following are the dates of the 1951 camps. May we urge all pastors and laymen to start immediately the enrollment of campers from their respective congregations.

Junior Boys	(Completed 4th or 5th grade in public school)	July 2- 9
Intermediate Boys	(Completed 6th or 7th grade in public school)	July 9-16
Junior Girls	(Completed 4th or 5th grade in public school)	July 16-23
Intermediate Girls	(Completed 6th or 7th grade in public school)	July 23-30
Senior Boys	(Completed 8th and still in High School)	July 30-Aug. 6
Senior Girls	(Completed 8th and still in High School)	Aug. 6-13
Leadership Camp	(All men and women 18 years of age and over)	Aug. 13-20

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Camp Committee presents the following recommendations:

(1) That synod grant approval, at its meeting in January, 1951, for Camp Yolijwa to become incorporated under the laws of the State of California, as The Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

(2) That synod recognize the year 1952 as Camp Yolijwa Year, and that the Camp Committee be permitted and authorized to conduct a Synod-wide ingathering of funds for the capital development of Camp Yolijwa, which observance and appeal shall be given full priority in the year's program of synod.

Respectfully submitted,

THE CAMP COMMITTEE

Rev. J. Benner Weaver, Chairman

The report of the Camp Committee was approved.

Resolution No. 1—Adopted

Resolution No. 2—Adopted

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee implement this program and see that it is carried out. The motion was made to reconsider Resolution No. 2. A substitute resolution was made that the Synod approve in principle the plan of raising funds for a camping program in 1952 and that the Camp Committee draw up a feasible plan of procedure to be brought before the 1952 Convention regardless of when it is held. The motion was amended by inserting after the word "procedure" the words "with all information necessary thereto." The amendment carried. The amended motion was passed.

The Convention Tellers reported the election of the following:

Clerical Member from the north on Executive Committee of Synod—The Rev. Chas. A. Miley.

Lay Member from the north on Executive Committee of Synod—Mr. Albert L. Gerke.

Member on the Board for the Home for the California Lutheran Home for the Aged—Mr. Fritz J. Bowman.

Dr. L. Ralph Tabor spoke to the convention on the work of the Boards of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Rev. Titus Scholl presented:

REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Synod's Parish and Church School Committee met with Dr. S. White Rhyne, Executive Secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, for an all-day session at First Church in Los Angeles on January 9.

A tentative schedule of the itinerary of the Board's Field Representative for 1951 was drawn up. The Board will send us the Rev. Marcus Otterbein. He will be on synod's territory from Sept. 19th to Oct. 2nd, inclusive.

The plan is to have him present at one-night meetings in 13 areas of Synod. His emphasis will be on teacher-training by way of audio-visual aids. The itinerary is as follows: Tucson, Sept. 19; Phoenix, 20th; Riverside, 21st; Los Angeles, 23rd; Long Beach, 24th; Glendale, 25th; Inglewood, 26th; Fresno, 27th; San Francisco, 28th; Oakland, 30th; Richmond, Oct. 1st; Sacramento, Oct. 2nd.

Your committee was especially impressed with the Board-recommended method for promoting teacher-training in our congregations. The idea is to train our teachers by way of filmstrips and recordings. The ones that Dr. Rhyne showed the committee are the same ones developed by the International Council of Religious Training. A kit, composed of 10 filmstrips and about 17 recordings costs about $70. A congre-

gation, it is suggested, could offer its teachers and candidate-teachers a 10 weeks' course of effective training with these fine materials. We have two kits on hand; they will be made available after Pastor Otterbein's tour.

The Committee on Faith and Life at the Des Moines Convention took sober note of the fact that among the five deadly symptoms among the parishes of the ULCA is that "of limited interest in the educational program of the congregation." How does the California Synod measure up under this general indictment? Not so well.

Your committee does not address itself to the past or the present, but to the future. Soberly, we endorse intensification of our efforts in effecting within our congregations the suggestions and plans of the Parish and Church School Board, beginning with its immediate plans for 1951.

We recommend:

1. That pastors view with high interest the coming of Associate Secretary Otterbein in the Fall, and that they insure good audiences for his presentations in the 13 areas.
2. That Parish Education, with emphasis upon teacher-training and child-evangelism, be made a major subject for consideration at the Fall meetings of Conferences.
3. That Pastors and congregations make good use of the Board's very fine new Parent Quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. TITUS R. SCHOLL

The Report was adopted.

The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D., presented:

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE TO THE SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

I. General Statement

The members of the California Synod with those of the other six western synods of the U.L.C.A. are stockholders in Midland College, our church college for this territory. It is Midland's great mission and lofty privilege to serve our fine young men and women in giving them a liberal arts education under positive Christian influence. Your trustees, herewith, submit to you our annual report.

II. Officers of the Corporation

The elected officers of the corporation are: Dr. A. W. Young, Omaha, Neb., president; Dr. Henry A. Gunderson, Fremont, Neb., vice president; the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln, Neb., secretary, and Mr. Bernard V. Beeson, Fremont, Neb., treasurer.

III. Officers of the College

Administrative officers of the college are: Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, president; C. K. Burkholder, acting dean of the college; Richard L. Moenter, Dean of Men; Miss Esther Schwerdtfeger, acting Dean of Women; the Rev. A. C. Baughman, Chaplain; Miss Mildred A. Cattern, Registrar; Bernard V. Beeson, Business Manager and Treasurer.

IV. Our Students

Since some of our men who are in the reserves are being called into active duty, and since deferments are at present to a large extent within the jurisdiction of the local draft boards, we shall sustain losses this year and very likely during the coming years.

V. Our Finances

Summary of Income and Expense for Year 1949-50

TOTAL INCOME	$359,676.23	
Tuition and Fees		$124,372.88
Endowment Investment Income		14,511.00
Gifts and Grants		77,156.82
Sales and Services and Other Income		7,138.02
Auxiliary Enterprises		136,497.51
		$359,676.23

TOTAL EXPENSE	$371,566.38
Educational and General	53,892.58
Instructional	124,794.46
Library	9,908.33
Maintenance and Operation	30,240.79
Services Rendered	2,962.39
Auxiliary Enterprises	139,135.69
Other Non-educational Expenses	10,632.11
	$371,566.38
Net Operating Loss	$ 11,890.15

Midland finds herself in a financial plight which is characteristic of most colleges today. Due to the steady decline in enrollment and the mounting cost of all commodities, involving salary increases for our staff (most of our employees are still underpaid), it is becoming increasingly difficult to balance our budget. Even under the austere economy the deficit last year was $11,890.15. In spite of further staff reductions and other drastic measures of economy it appears that we shall have a sizeable operational loss again this year. This cannot continue. If our college is not to degenerate into a second or third rate educational institution it is IMPERATIVE that the supporting synods materially increase their financial support.

At its meeting last May the Board of Trustees decided that the needs of the college be presented realistically to the synods with a view to securing the necessary increase in financial support. The Nebraska, Kansas, and Rocky Mountain Synods are already supporting Midland to the extent of $1.35 per communing member.

For the Nebraska Synod this means an appropriation for 1951 of $20,324 (guaranteed), for the Kansas Synod, $8,059, and for the Rocky Mountain Synod, $4,392. At the meeting of the budget committee of the Board of Trustees it was emphasized that, in view of the expected 30 per cent decline in enrollment next year, due to the increased tempo of selective military service, it will be necessary for the synods to increase their appropriations to the college by 50 per cent.

With war clouds lowering over us and the prospect of losing a large number of our male students because of the war, the years immediately ahead do not look promising. Will you please remember Midland, her administration, faculty, and students in your fervent prayers? Will you do all you can, also, to direct the attention of our able, prospective students toward our church college where they may secure a first class liberal arts and pre-professional education under the guidance of first class Christian teachers and counsellors?

RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend to the Executive Committee of the California Synod:

(1) That a study of Ways and Means of added assistance for Midland College for the year 1951 be requested.

(2) That the 1952 Budget Committee study the apportionment granted Midland College to see whether an increase may be given to raise the amount to $8,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Trustees:

JAMES P. BEASOM

ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ

REPORT OF CENTRAL LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Central Lutheran Theological Seminary is growing—growing in size, in opportunity, in influence and in favor with its supporting Synods and with the Church at large. On January 15, 1951, the Rev. Gerhard Gieschen, Pastor of St. Peter's Church, Forest Park, Ill., will become associate professor of Systematic Theology and for the first semester will teach courses in the Practical Theology department, thus enabling President Keisler to spend more time in the promotion of the institution. Upon the arrival of Professor Gieschen Central Seminary will have five full-time members of its faculty, the first time in its history of more than half a century.

The enrollment this year, while only 32, is more than half again as large as it was last year and is the largest in its history. There are five seniors, nine middlers,

fourteen juniors, one intern and three specials. Of these 32 students, five are members of the California Synod. They are Charles Clark and Gene Vesseler, seniors; George Steffens and James Youngquist, middlers, and Ted Youngerman, junior. The Seminary administration reports that all of these young men give definite promise of an effective ministry.

JAMES P. BEASOM, JR.

ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ

Dr. A. B. Schwertz introduced Dr. William H. Hieronymous, President of Midland College, who described conditions and problems produced by the inflation and the new army enlistments. The recommendations were considered seritaim: 1: Carried. 2. Carried.

The report as a whole was adopted.

The Secretary of Synod presented:

RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1951

FOR CAUSES OF THE LARGER CHURCH		
1. U.L.C.A. Apportionment	$75,530.00	
2. Midland College	5,500.00	
3. Central Seminary	1,000.00	
		$ 82,030.00
4. Lutheran Welfare Council North	300.00	
5. Lutheran Welfare Council South	300.00	
		600.00
PARK CHURCHES		
1. Yosemite	75.00	
2. Sequoia	50.00	
		125.00
SYNODICAL MISSIONS		
1. Home Missions	10,000.00	
2. California Lutheran Home	1,200.00	
3. Ministerial Education	2,000.00	
4. Youth Camping	3,000.00	
5. Youth Camping Transportation (North)	500.00	
6. Youth Camping Transportation (Arizona)	250.00	
		16,950.00
CONVENTIONS		
1. Synodical Delegates Expenses	2,700.00	
2. Synodical Convention Expenses	500.00	
3. Minutes of Synod	1,000.00	
4. U.L.C.A. Convention Expenses	700.00	
5. Combined Synod Convention—1952	300.00	
		5,200.00
SYNODICAL OPERATIONAL EXPENSES		
1. Golden State Lutheran	1,000.00	
2. Synodical Contingent Fund	1,000.00	
3. Executive Committee Expenses	1,600.00	
4. Other Committee Expenses	200.00	
5. Statistician Expenses	100.00	
6. Secretary's Expenses	250.00	
7. Bonding Costs	300.00	
		4,450.00
SYNODICAL OFFICE EXPENSES		
1. Salary of the President	6,500.00	
2. Expenses of the office of President	4,500.00	
3. Pension and insurance of President	296.00	
4. Office of President (Utilities)	600.00	
5. Office Secretary	2,700.00	

6. Comptroller of Synod	600.00	
7. Office expenses	1,000.00	
		16,196.00
Total		125,551.00
PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY		10,000.00
Total		$135,551.00
15,000 members @ $9.10	$136,500.00	
LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION		$ 20,506.70

6. That the apportionment for the year 1951 be set at $9.10 per communicant member.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

A motion to adopt the Budget was made.

A motion was made that the motion to adopt the Budget be set aside for five minutes in order to let the Laymen make their report. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE LAYMENS MEETING

ACTIONS TAKEN:

1. That we extend to the program committee our appreciation of the time granted us.
2. That we extend to Dr. Beasom by a rising of all laymen our love and respect for him and our appreciation of that which he is endeavoring to do. We feel that it is appropriate at this time that we express in prayer our thanks to God for the labors of this devoted servant. Let us all bow our heads as Mr. Pfundstein leads us in this prayer.
3. The laymen after considered study of the proposed budget and apportionment wish to express their unanimous approval of this budget and apportionment as presented.

   The laymen in doing this would also express to the convention their deep concern of the operation of Synod being held to a minimum in its financing. We feel the time is here when we should not accept $9.10 as a goal but as a minimum, and urge all concerned to reach an increased amount .
4. That the program of our church efforts center around the goals emphasized in our president's annual report and that we as laymen carry it back to our congregations in its entirety.
5. That the nominating committee report the geographical location and church affiliation of each candidate.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO S. JOHNSTON, Chairman

The motion prevailed to accept the report on the Laymen's meeting.

A motion was carried to adopt the Budget.

A motion prevailed asking the Executive Committee to study and take means to increase the item on the Budget called "Other Committee Expenses."

A motion prevailed to accept the Executive Committee's report as a whole.

The motion prevailed that the Sessions tomorrow morning begin at 8 A.M.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer led by the Convention Chaplain.

SPECIAL BUSINESS SESSION

The special Business Session was held on Wednesday evening, January 31, 1951. It was opened with devotions led by the Rev. Robert S. Romeis and the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, presidents of Conferences.

The motion prevailed that the minutes of the fifth session be approved as distributed.

The motion prevailed that the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education be received. The Rev. Arthur Alm, chairman, informed the Synod concerning the students receiving aid.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FOR 1950

The committee on Ministerial Education is happy to present this report of its activities for the year 1950. Every day we must become more and more aware of the tremendous demands for men in the Gospel ministry and Women for the Diaconate. There are many fields that should be occupied but due to the shortage of men this work must be delayed for the present. For an increase in ministerial students we must turn to the individual Churches of synod and again lay the challenge upon the hearts of our people. Each congregation should be striving towards that day when they will have at least one or more students preparing for full time Christian service. This will be done if we will keep it before the attention of our people constantly.

The work of this committee is very far reaching in scope. Some of its duties are:

1.—To seek out and keep in contact with ministerial students and candidates for the diaconate. A file is kept of these students as well as prospective students for the ministry.

2.—To encourage, counsel and direct by personal interviews all ministerial students. Continual encouragement is very necessary.

3.—To help provide financial assistance for traveling to and from college, seminary, or diaconate, when necessary and needed. This is through the Board of Education of the U.L.C.A.

4.—As a committee of the California Synod we approve requests for synod aid on the basis of need. For these grants a promissory note is signed and valid for a period of 10 years.

Prospective students should be selected on the basis of (1) Consecration, (2) Intelligence and general alertness (3) Attractive personality (4) Integrity (5) Aggressive energy (6) Good health.

The Ministerial Education Committee also should work in close conjunction with the examining committee of synod.

All prospective ministerial or deaconess students should be placed in touch with this committee as soon as possible. Especially is this important at this time of national emergency and crisis. The names of all ministerial students in college, seminary or even High School should be given to the committee or president of synod in order that the names may be printed in the minutes of synod for future reference by the various draft boards. Forms for "Certification of Students for the Ministry" are available through Dr. Beasom's office. Every pastor should be aware of this. It will save much confusion later on. Along with this form must also be a letter from the pastor of the Church commending the students as bonafide students who are preparing for the ministry.

At the present time we have several girls who are interested in the diaconate. One, Sister Patricia Chafin of Culver City, is busily engaged in the professional part of her training. She will be in nurses training for three years. She has had her two years of religious training at the Motherhouse.

In order for any student to be considered for either synodical assistance or travel allowance they must make a request to the Committee in writing. One round trip per year is all that is allowed. This, too, is granted on the basis of need.

The committee during 1950 has assisted the following students. All are Ministerial students.

Student's Name and Address	Synod Aide	Travel All.	School
1—Richard Arthur 2408½ G St., Sacramento			Northwestern Sem., Minneapolis, Mnn.
2—Donald Albert 942 Cardiff, San Bernardino			Midland College, Fremont, Neb.
3—Bliss Bellinger 3043 No. Glenrose Ave., Altadena, Calif.	(Enters Jan-1951)		Carthage College Carthage, Ill.

Student's Name and Address	Synod Aide	Travel All.	School
4—Stanley Califf 1840 Loma Vista, Pasadena, Calif.	(Enters Jan-1951)		Carthage College Carthage, Ill.
5—Charles Clark Central Lutheran Sem., Fremont, Neb.	$225.00	$45.00	Central Lutheran Sem., Fremont, Neb.
6—Harry Durkee 916 20th St., Richmond, Calif.			Will enter Pacific Sem.
7—Jerry Drobny, Sacramento, Calif.			Stanford U.
8—James Fincher 1630 So. 11th Ave., Maywood, Ill.	175.00	45.00	Chicago, Seminary Maywood, Ill.
9—Marion Gjerde 41 9th Street Crt., Richmond, Calif.			U. of Cal. Will enter Pacific Sem.
10—James Grant 2271 Dunlop St., San Diego, Calif.		90.00	Midland College, Fremont, Neb.
11—Ervin Florence 946 Merced Ave., El Monte, Calif.	150.00	90.00	Midland College, Fremont, Neb.
12—Kenneth Hartzheim Keller Hall, Hamma Divinity School Springfield, Ohio	125.00	75.00	Hamma Div. School Springfield, Ohio
13—Vern Jeffers (Entering Maywood Sem.) Carthage College, Carthage, Ill.	150.00		Jan. 1951, Carthage College, Ill.
14—Bertram R. Johnson Grace Lutheran Church, 1124 No. 34 st.			Phoenix, Ariz.
15—Hallet Howard Kruggel 10537 So. La Reina Ave., Downey, Calif.		43.96	Midland College
16—John Lindstrom 715 East 8th St., Fremont, Neb.	150.00	93.79	Midland College
17—Charles Lehman 7112 Benson St., Huntington Park, Calif.		43.96	Midland College
18—Stanley Olson Rt. 6, Box 1148, Phoenix, Ariz.			Northwestern Sem. Minneapolis, Mnn.
19—Ray Nassen From First Church, L.A.	150.00		Midland College
20—Gerald Pedersen St. Johns Luth. Church, 1701 L. St. Sacramento, Calif.	125.00	57.42	Attended Sem. in Mpls., Intern at Sacramento
21—Grant Ranlett From St. Johns Luth. Church, Sacramento			At Chicago Sem. Maywood, Ill.
22—Herbert Ringo 325 So. 27th St., Richmond, Calif.		45.00	At Luther Sem. in St. Paul, Minn.
23—Frank Schmidt Faith Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Ariz.			Pre-enrolled Central Seminary
24—Walter Stuhr, Jr. 328 So. Marengo, Alhambra, Calif.		90.00	Yale University
25—George Steffens Franklyn Street, Bellvue, Neb.	225.00		Central Luth. Sem., Fremont, Neb.
26—Harold P. Schluntz 6929 Georgia Ave., Bell, Calif.	100.00		Northwestern Sem., Minneapolis, Minn.
27—Roger Veum Grace Lutheran Church, Richmond Calif.			St. Olafs College
28—Gene Vosseler Central Lutheran Sem., Fremont, Neb.	225.00	45.00	Central Luth. Sem., Fremont, Neb.
29—Ted Youngerman 1746 La Canada Blvd., Glendale, Calif.	175.00	94.50	Central Luth. Sem., Fremont, Neb.
30—James Youngquist 1505 E. Garfield Ave., Glendale 5, Calif.		90.00	Central Luth. Sem., Fremont, Neb.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Board of Education of the ULCA, especially Dr. Gould Wickey, for the fine cooperation and help in providing transportation for needy students. Thanks also to the Calif. Synod for synodical aide to some needy students. To Dr. Beasom for the opportunity of personally interviewing

many of our students at seminary and college. Thanks also to the pastors of synod for the names of prospective students for the ministry and diaconate.

May God continue to guide us as together we strive to bolster the Kingdom work here in the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
The Ministerial Education Committee
Arthur Alm, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on CHEY was presented by the Rev. Ross F. Hidy, Synodical CHEY Director.

REPORT OF THE CHEY COMMITTEE

The Des Moines Convention CHEY Report by Dr. R. E. Tulloss brought both a thrill and a chill to each CHEY Committee worker present. A glorious victory looks possible; over-confidence and poor follow-through could change this joy to despair. Only team work gives victory!

The CHEY Committee asks a prayerful study of the final congregational CHEY Report to this date. The report of the Seminary Board and our President will give the need for our success. That success depends upon each congregation. Sincere thanks must be expressed to each person in each congregation who has made their CHEY goal possible or who will yet hit the 100 per cent plus mark.

The CHEY Committee

The Report of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary was presented by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert.

REPORT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS—PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Four meetings of the Board were held during the past year, as follows: January 19, May 18, September 5, and November 21. At the May meeting all officers were re-elected and Articles of Incorporation were completed. The Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Secretary of the State of California on August 23, 1950.

In addition to the above meetings, a luncheon meeting was held in Des Moines, Iowa, on Thursday, October 5, attended by members of the California and Pacific Synod delegations to the ULCA convention. Also in attendance at this meeting were Drs. Fry, Wickey, and Deaton, invited because of their special interest in a Seminary on the West Coast, and because of their positions in the Church and on the Board of Education of the Church.

The year has been one of headaches and heartaches for the members of the Board due to the lack of cooperation on the part of the members of the family who own Williams College Property in Berkeley, which property the Board has been seeking to buy during the year. It would take considerable space and time to go into detail concerning the efforts of the Board to secure this property. Suffice it to say, that at the last meeting of the Board, a final offer was made to the family, and at the time of preparation of this report, no definite reply has been received.

Applications for faculty positions have been received and considered, but no definite actions taken. The faculty committee consisting of Pastors Tambert, Lindsay, and Lucas have the responsibility of studying and gathering information as to possible faculty members and reporting on same to the Board.

In view of the fact that properties in or near the Pacific School of Religion and the University of California are becoming scarce and high priced, the Board instructed its Property Committee to look elsewhere for a suitable property, and if necessary to go as far as forty miles from the University of California. This action was taken in case all efforts with the Hopkins family prove futile.

It is the opinion of the Board that, unless fortuitous events should lead to a possible opening of the Seminary in the fall of 1951, the formal opening should be planned for the fall of 1952, the exact date to be co-ordinated with the dates of the ULCA convention in Seattle.

In order to have monies for operational expense, the Board, through the Presidents of the California and Pacific Synods, ex-officio members of the Board, requested

the Synods to consider the matter of placing the Seminary on their 1952 budgets at the rate of $1.25 per communing member.

Funds from the CHEY Appeal have begun to come in as is indicated in the treasurer's report. The first check amounting to $23,927.00 was received in September. The Board of Education plans to make the allocations as funds are received and available.

The terms of office of Rev. Carl Tambert of the California Synod, and Mr. E. J. Juilfs of the Pacific Synod expire with the 1951 conventions of the respective synods.

Respectfully submitted by the Board

Rev. J. L. Sawyer, D.D., Chmn.	Rev. Carl V. Tambert
Rev. Fred T. Lucas, D.D.	Rev. H. C. Lindsay
Mr. Marvin C. Johnson	Mr. O. E. Nelson
Mr. E. J. Juilfs	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl

PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Treasurer's Report—1950

Balance on hand, November 29, 1949		$ 1,301.17
Receipts:		
Seminary Funds from Pacific Synod	$ 22,000.00	
Current Expense from Pacific Synod	2,500.00	
Current Expense from Synod of California	1,000.00	
U.L.C.A. Men of Bay Area	32.20	
CHEY Funds from Board of Education	28,765.25	
Total Receipts		54,297.45
		55,598.62
Expenditures:		
Board Meetings	1,392.12	
Negotiations for Property	136.29	
Articles of Incorporation	26.00	
Engraved Seal	16.50	
Luncheon Conference at Des Moines	60.00	
President's Expense	3.29	
Total Expenditures		1,634.20
Balance on hand, January 6, 1951:		
Seminary Funds from Pacific Synod	22,000.00	
CHEY Funds from Board of Education	28,765.25	
Current Expense Funds	3,199.17	
Total Balance		53,964.42

Respectfully submitted,

MARVIN C. JOHNSON, Treasurer

He called up the President of Synod who reported on the latest developments in the search for property. The report was adopted .

The report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Stewardship Secretary of the Synod.

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Your Committee rejoices with you in the fact that the Synod of California has continued its record of 100 per cent apportionment in 1950, although not all individual congregations were able to reach that mark. We commend the congregations and the pastors for their faithfulness in this most important part of the Church's life, and urge upon all the continued and diligent use of every material and tool available for education in the stewardship of all of life.

Four members of the Committee, together with Robert Cummings and President Beasom, participated in the Western Regional Stewardship Conference held in

Denver in June. As a result, these men were active in promoting and executing different types of stewardship programs and Every Member Visitations throughout Synod. The 1950 film: "For Good or Evil" had at least one showing in every congregation and as many as five in some, and to larger audiences than ever before. The films of the past three years were used extensively, especially in the new mission churches. Your Committee likewise was charged with the distribution of the CHEY film: "The Difference." We wish to express our appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for again supplying us with most excellent materials for use in every congregation, of special note was the turnover chart which made possible more effective every member visitation.

The program of stewardship education must be a year-around, never-ending effort aimed at the commitment of all of life to the work of the Lord. Such a program must of necessity begin with the children in the home, Sunday School, and youth groups, and must pervade every department of the Church. We earnestly urge the congregational stewardship committees to study the various stewardship emphases, use and make available the folders, films, and helps, and present in each congregation a program of stewardship education throughout the whole year.

H. PAUL ROMEIS, Chairman

Mr. Zeb Trexler spoke briefly on the work of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement. The report was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that the Synod go on record asking all agencies and congregations of the Synod to seek contributions for the work of the Church on a Scriptural basis. The motion was made, seconded, and carried, that this matter be tabled.

The Rev. Titus Scholl of the Parish and Church School Committee introduced The Rev. Orval Awerkamp who spoke briefly, encouraging the use of the new film strips and recordings. The Rev. Ralph L. Tabor, D.D., was presented to the Convention as President of the Parish and Church School Board of the ULCA. He urged all members of the Convention to make full use of the services and materials of the Board.

The motion prevailed that Synod send a strong message to the President of the United States protesting the consideration of the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican.

Following the business session, the new picture of the Board of Foreign Missions "Lifting India's Shadows" and a picture showing the work of our Dept. of Church Architecture were shown.

The session was closed with prayer.

SIXTH SESSION

The Sixth Session was opened on Thursday, February 1, 1951, at 8:00 A.M. with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod on the theme, "Needed for Our Time — A Sense of Urgency."

The minutes of the Special Session were approved as distributed.

The report of the Claims Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

Transportation of delegates to Synod	$2,643.21
Secretarial service	30.00
Display materials and supplies	42.14
Programs	25.13
	$2,740.48

The report of the Committee on Excuses was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES

The committee has noted the excellent attendance at the sessions of this the Sixtieth Annual Convention of Synod. Both clerical and lay delegtaes have shown a commendable interest by their presence and participation.

The following have requested to be excused from one or more of the sessions: Pastors George J. Dorn, L. A. Harshman, Robert J. Kerstetter, Henry I. Kohler, Harvey M. Leach, Carl S. Miller, A. B. Schwertz, Albert J. Shandrick, Daniel J. Snyder, E. A. Trabert, and Mr. Wm. Capel, J. C. Bitter, H. J. Lorimer, Wm. R. Crouser.

The committee recommends that the above be exused, and also all retired pastors, missionaries, and chaplains unable to attend be granted excuses.

Respectfully submitted,
COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES
Frank H. Klutz
Caroline Russell

The motion prevailed that the Officers of Synod be declared the Trustees of Synod.

The report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

Your Committee reports that the following telegrams were sent during the Convention of Synod:

To the Rev. Dr. Warren R. Mottern "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California extends its greetings to you upon the occasion of the eighty-second anniversary of your birth. May God richly bless you and keep you."

To the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina: "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California in Convention assembled sends greetings to your Synod and prays that God may richly bless you in your deliberations, that His will may be done and that His work may be advanced through you."

Identical telegrams were sent to the Synods of Virginia and of the Georgia-Alabama.

Your Synod has received the following replies: "The Georgia-Alabama Synod gratefully acknowledges your greetings and prayers as symbols of the faith and opportunity which unite us in a common witness to our Lord."

"We appreciate your kind communication to the Virginia Synod assembled in convention and pray God's richest blessings upon the deliberations in the session of your Synod."

"Your greetings hearty reciprocated, may God enable you to plan wisely and perform mightily for Him and His Church." From Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina.

"Felicitations on my birthday today thankfully received. Rev. Mottern."

Respectfully submitted,
CLARENCE F. CROUSER, Chairman
William Capel

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee of the California Synod be instructed to formulate a resolution memorializing the Executive Board of the ULCA that it is the desire of our Synod that the archaic expressions be removed from the various services of the Church.

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee of the Synod be empowered to use from surplus funds the amount necessary to provide THE LUTHERAN to every family in every congregation in Synod, and if surplus funds should prove to be insufficient, to raise the additional funds necessary through a special appeal.

The report of the Publicity Committee was presented.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

The Publicity Committee of the Evangelical Synod of California meeting in Saint John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento, has given regular reports to the local presses. A picture of the president and vice-presidents of Synod will be taken at 10 o'clock this morning (February 1). It is hoped that we will be able to have a mat to send to all the pastors for pulbicity in their own parish.

The Committee suggests that every pastor publicize in the newspapers of his own parish the highlights of the Convention. Such publicity can be based upon the printed minutes of the various sessions.

This Committee desires to thank the Secretary of Synod, the Rev. Paul Wolpert,

for the fine way the minutes of Synod have been made available to the delegates.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. E. DALE CLICK, Chairman

The report was adopted.

The report of the special meeting of the Ministerium was adopted.

The Ministerium of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Calif. met in special session at 10:30 P.M. on Wednesday, January 31.

Upon recommendation of the Examining Committee it was moved and seconded that The Rev. George Kohls be received into the membership of Synod, when his papers have been deposited with the President of Synod, and clearance has been furnished by the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

The report of the Committee on the President's Report was received and the recommendations considered seriatim.

Truly we can say the President's report for 1950 is the greatest set of marching orders ever presented to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California by Dr. James P. Beasom.

It is great because it not only reports to us a remarkable story of advancement in Kingdom Building in every phase of the Life of the Church, but also it sounds effectively the imperative command to go "Forward in Faith" in 1951.

As a committee, we have been deeply moved by the seemingly tireless energies of our President; his able and foresighted administration of our Synod; his willingness that all, whatever their age or problem, receive an earnest hearing; and his complete consecration that all his efforts be to the glory of our Heavenly Father.

We are hard-pressed for words to express our gratitude as a Church to our Lord for this, His humble servant, who has permitted the Holy Spirit to capture His life so completely. In order that every pastor and congregation can walk "Forward in Faith" together in 1951, we make the following recommendations:

1. That Synod, because of the vital nature of this report, urge every pastor and lay delegate to make it possible that all or strategic portions of the report be read at the chief service on an announced Sunday morning, that a mimeographed copy of the report, sufficient for all communicants, be sent to our congregations immediately, and that the portions: I. Forward In The Lord, II. Forward In Membership, and III. Forward In Faith, be discussed with every Church Council by the pastor and lay-delegate.

2. That Synod call upon every pastor to a renewed vigor in keeping The Message of the Cross central in every sermon, and to a daily enrichment of his personal life through spiritual study and earnest prayer.

3. That Synod call upon every congregation to provide a program of weekly Bible study and continuous instruction and education for present and prospective members of our churches.

4. That Synod call upon every congregation to plan a definite crusade for Christ in each Church School so that all children and adults committed to our care and all on our responsibility lists in the community may come to know their only Saviour, Christ Jesus The Lord.

5. That Synod make our people aware of their responsibility and privilege to worship in church every Sunday, unless providentially hindered, and that another Synod-wide attendance Crusade be scheduled for an appropriate month.

6. That Synod call upon every congregation and pastor to stress the importance of the Holy Communion for all confirmed members with a recording of each communicant, the issuance of cards of membership in good standing annually to all who commune, and the enlisting of our church councilmen to personally call upon those who neglect this Sacrament.

7. That Synod call upon every congregation to enlist the lay-membership in a continuous program of Parish Visitation and Evangelism as presented by the Board of Social Missions of our United Lutheran Church in America, and also to survey each parish to establish responsibility lists so that Christ can be brought to these souls.

8. That Synod call upon all pastors and delegates to interpret the true meaning of Synod—"walking together with the Lord"—to our congregations so that we can become a mighty band of faithful disciples in Christ transforming our individual

communities for righteousness, and co-operating in the whole program of the whole church through the calendar of causes of the United Lutheran Church in America.

9. That Synod continue a program of Stewardship education to insure that all funds for Christian Higher Education be gathered in, also that the 1951 apportionment be met in full with an overwhelming response, also assist the Synodical Luther League with their mission project for St. Paul's, Honolulu, and to match the distress of the world with adequate Lutheran World Action funds.

10. The Synod in convention officially express its gratitude to The Rev. Edward N. Spirer for his effective administration of the Church Extension program of Synod, and that we pledge him our whole-heated co-operation.

11. That Synod, in order to save the physical strength of the president, demand that requests from congregations for non-essential activities and engagements be eliminated, and that our president abide by the suggestions of the Executive Committee with regard to adequate vacation and rest so that his strength may be conserved.

12. That Synod express formally to Dr. Beasom our appreciation for his devotion to every congregation, and that we pledge our continued confidence in his leadership by a rising vote to express our desire to sustain him daily with prayer, and that all remain standing for a silent prayer as we present our petitions for a deeper consecration as president and congregations, pastors and laymen, determined to walk "Forward in Faith" in 1951.

Respectfully submitted,
QUENTIN P. GARMAN, Chairman

Items 1 through 5 — Adopted.

Item 6 — Amended to omit the words "issue cards" and adopted.

The motion prevailed that Synod provide cards or card stocks to all congregations desiring them.

Items 7 through 12 — Adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted.

A motion was made that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED: That the President of Synod be instructed to take a three-months' vacation in 1952 for the purpose of visiting the World Convention of the Lutheran World Federation and that Synod will go on record that it will pay his and Mrs. Beasom's transportation and that the Executive Committee will work out an arrangement whereby the affairs of the Synod may be taken care of during his absence.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented and the recommendations considered seriatim.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The committee offers the following resolutions: BE IT RESOLVED,

1. That Synod express its sincere appreciation to the pastor loci, The Rev. Robert S. Romeis, and the members of the host congregation, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, for the gracious, efficient, and cordial manner in which they have entertained this 60th Convention of Synod. We suggest the adoption by a rising vote.

2. That we thank the chaplain, Pastor Carl Moyer, for the inspiring and sobering messages and prayers he brought to the convention in its several sessions.

3. That we express our appreciation for the presence and presentations of The Rev. Dr. Ralph Tabor, the official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the office of the President of the United Lutheran Church.

4. That Synod again extend to its president, Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., deepest appreciation for his untiring service, his keen interest, his gracious understanding, and his constant sympathy as he ministers the office to which he has been elected, and that we assure him of our continued love, loyalty, and prayers.

5. That we offer thanks to Almighty God for the success of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal and that His guidance and blessing be implored in the negotiations for a property to house the Pacific Lutheran Seminary.

6. That we take note of the faithful and devoted ministry of the pioneers who initiated this work 60 years ago and that we seek to be worthy to follow in their train.

7. That all pastors and people be encouraged to bring daily to the Throne of Grace this distraught and distressed world, beseeching the God of the Nations to guide our leaders that peace and righteousness may prevail, and that the chaplain lead us in a special prayer to that end.

8. That we express our appreciation to all who have assisted in the development of the synodical camp and its program, and that we go on record as promising our loyal support and cooperation to the new camp director, Pastor John Foerester.

9. That Synod communicate to the President of the United States of America its disapproval of the possible appointment of a representative to the Vatican state, and its hope that no such appointment will be made at any future time.

10. That to Pastor Romeis, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Nielsen, "Committee of 500," and men and women of the congregation of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, the pastors and lay-delegates thus express their heartfelt and sincere thanks for the provision of automobile transportation to and from the airfield.

11. That we be humbly grateful to God, our Father, for the innumerable blessings bestowed on our synod and the Church of which we are a part, and that we beseech Him to lead us in every plan and program through the coming year.

12. That we express our thanks to Mr. Zeb Trexler, the Rev. Dr. H. P. Hieronymous, and other distinguished visitors for their presence and contribution to our convention.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Frank H. Clutz
Albert J. Shandrick
Thomas J. Daily
Elwood Schwenk
Edward Hamme

Items 1 through 8 — Adopted.
Item 9 — Adopted unanimously.
Items 10 and 12 — Adopted unanimously.

The motion prevailed that minutes of the closing session of the convention be mimeographed and mailed to all delegates immediately.

The motion prevailed that the President appoint Ad Interim a committee on Faith and Life and that the Committee on the Constitution consider including provision for such a committee in the new constitution.

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be instructed to study the matter of securing an assistant to the President and report to the next convention.

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee study the possibility of providing a boiler print of information about Synod for insertion into monthly congregational papers.

The motion prevailed that the matter of procuring a timing device for the Chairman of the Committee on Reference and Counsel be referred to the Executive Committee.

The motion prevailed that the meeting be adjourned. Following adjournment, the Officers and Members of the Executive Committee, elected by the convention, were installed.

The 60th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Luthern Church was officially closed by the President, using the prescribed order.

JAMES P. BEASOM, JR., D.D., President

PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

REPORT OF THE U.L.C.A. CONVENTION DELEGATES

The seventeenth biennial convention of the United Lutheran Church in America was held in Des Moines, Iowa, October 4-12, 1950. The theme of the convention was, "For Christian Leaders Tomorrow." Fourteen elected delegates of the California Synod and several visitors attended. The convention received the reports of officers, committees, boards and agencies and made some historical decisions.

Foremost among the decisions was that regarding our affiliation with other Lutheran and Protestant groups. Without debate and without a single negative vote the Church went on record in favor of complete organic union with other participat-

ing bodies in the National Lutheran Council. It also favored the transformation of the National Council into a Federation as an intermediary step toward merger. The delegates voted in this manner in spite of the fact that they knew merger proposals had already been defeated by other Lutheran bodies.

By a large majority, participation in the National Council of Churches of Christ in America was approved. This momentous decision followed careful consideration of the Executive Board's recommendation. The Council will be composed of eight interdenominational agencies, four orthodox groups and twenty-four protestant bodies.

Highlighting the convention's decisions was that involving the session of the Common Service Book Committee, The Joint Commission on the Liturgy, and the Joint Commission on the Hymnal, Dr. Samuel Salzman of the A.L.C., Rev. Gabriel Tweet of the E.L.C. and Dr. Conrad Bergendoff of Augustana, gave assuring reports on the preparation of the Common Service and the Hymnal. There was considerable debate about items but general agreement with the commission.

Some of the outstanding events of the convention which lifted the hearts of the delegates were: the Holy Communion Service with the convention sermon by Dr. Fry on the opening morning; the Lutheran Laymen's Banquet for seven hundred seventy-five delegates and visitors, at which time it was announced that eight hundred forty-two L.L.M. members have embarked upon a "Venture in Faith." This consecrated group of men will finance the entire stewardship promotion program of our church beginning in 1952. The third great event was the Board of Education's mass meeting on "Men for the Ministry." This was held on Sunday afternoon with the choirs of Carthage College, Midland College, and St. John's Church, Des Moines, participating. The meeting closed with an inspiring tableau entitled, "Christ Calls the Laborer." Dr. Walter H. Traub of Omaha was the speaker. The Foreign Mission Night program presented messages by overseas leaders. Six missionaries were commissioned. The "World Work of Lutherans" meeting brought messages from four men. At a later date in the convention Dr. Empie, together with Dr. Fry, presented a stirring appeal for Lutheran World Action funds. The financial program of this cause for 1950 was in danger of disaster.

The convention returned by overwhelming majority all of the U.L.C.A. officers to their respective offices: Dr. Franklin Clarke Fry, President; Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz, Executive Secretary; Dr. Henry Beisler, Treasurer; and Dr. G. Elson Ruff, Editor of the Lutheran. Board members were elected to fill expired terms and vacancies existing at the close of the biennium.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey was received as the thirty-third Synod with a membership of one hundred twenty-eight congregations. The convention received into fellowship with U.L.C.A. as affiliated churches: The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church of India, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia. As affiliated churches these associated churches are given full autonomy to govern themselves and to conduct their own affairs.

The convention expressed total opposition to establishing diplomatic relations with the Vatican. The convention unanimously adopted a resolution reaffirming its belief in the absolute separation of church and state and expressing its unalterable opposition to diplomatic relations to the Vatican and other religious groups. At the request of the convention Dr. Fry gave a pointed dissertation on the entire Vatican relationship.

"CHEY has won through to victory" was the keynote of the Board of Education's report. Gratitude was expressed in the announcement that the anticipated goal by the end of 1951 would be $7,250,000.00. Dr. Wickey estimated the need for new ministers in the U.L.C. to be one hundred seventy-five annually. The seminaries enrollment in 1950 was five hundred.

The Committee on Faith and Life commented on five deadly symptoms among the parishes: (1) Wide-spread neglect of the means of Grace. (2) General lack of appreciating of the liturgy. (3) Limited interest in the educational program of the congregation. (4) General indifference of Christians to witness for Jesus Christ. (5) Feeble influence of the church on the spiritual life of the community.

The Luther League of America reported and presented three newly chosen staff members: the Rev. F. Leslie Conrad, Executive Secretary; the Rev. R. John Mangum, Associate Secretary, and Miss Helen Smith, Intermediate Secretary. Two

new attractive restyled publications will appear in 1951 under the names "Luther Life," and "High Ideals." The Luther League held an inspiring service for one thousand delegates and visitors on Sunday night.

The Board of Deaconess Work, together with the Board of Education, has drawn up a table of standards for full time women workers. The final action on the standards was referred to the Executive Board.

Highlights of other boards' reports included: An estimate by the Board of Social Missions that one hundred fifty thousand laymen received training in Christian witnessing during the past biennium. An estimate by the Women's Missionary Society that ninety-two thousand women contributed almost $1,500,000.00 during the biennium. The Lutheran circulation has reached 86,270 copies weekly. The Board of American Missions established one new mission each week during the first six months of 1950. The Parish and Church School Board is now preparing a series of texts for week-day Church Schools. Sunday School enrollment is 836,821, the increase in 1949 was 29,680. The Board on Pensions and Relief presented for adoption the Family Protection Plan for members of the Contributory Pension Plan. The plan becomes operative when seventy-five per cent of the contributory pension members enroll.

Without dissension and with great enthusiasm, the convention adopted a budget of $5,203,300.00 for 1952 and $5,232,400.00 for 1953, an evidence that the Church is growing up financially. The convention did not approve the plan for the Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary, but asked that the committee continue its work. The convention likewise did not favor the use of the title, Bishop, in the U.L.C.A., but instructed the committee to continue its study.

The vigorous plea of the delegates from the West Coast caught the heart of the convention as it voted to hold the 1952 convention in Seattle, Wash.

At the 1950 convention of the ULCA a new Article XV of the Constitution of the ULCA was reported as having been ratified by the then thirty-two constituent synods, and was declared to be in force. The Article deals with Affiliated Churches. The former Article XV, "Committees, By-laws and Amendments," is now renumbered Article XVI.

Section 1 of the new Article XV reads as follows:

> "Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention."

Also at the 1950 convention of the Church, on recommendation of the Board of Foreign Missions, the delegates approved "for submission to the synods, the following amendment to the constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America":

> " 'Amend Article XV, Section I, as follows: In place of the words, "which has accepted the Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II," substitute the words: "which has accepted Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution." ' "

The section, if and when the above amendment is ratified, will read as follows:

> "Section 1. Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention."

REV. CARL V. TAMBERT
Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the Minutes of the 60th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California held in St. John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento, California, January 29, 30, 31, February 1, 1951.

REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT
Secretary

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1950, TABLE 1—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1947	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
									14			15			16			
1	Berkeley	St. Michael's	1913	328 Alcatraz Ave.(Oakland)	Alameda	1	Ross F. Hidy	EG	417	98	..	327	83	..	235	62	..	1
2	Fresno	First	1917	630 Ferger Ave.	Fresno	2	Charles A. Miley	E	601	..	..	409	..	..	260	9	..	2
3	Fresno	St. Paul's	1913	2122 Lotus Ave.	Fresno	2	August S. Claus	EG	517	..	2	423	..	..	145	..	..	3
4	Fresno	Wartburg	1904	561 "D" St.	Fresno	2	John C. Bitter	EG	214	2	..	172	..	5	33	..	5	4
5	Honolulu	Honolulu	1900	448 So. Beretania, Honolulu 43	Honolulu	1	H. Edward Hamme	E	282	..	146	199	..	85	130	..	29	5
*6	Honolulu	Pearl Harbor	1950	Buck St. and Uucker Are.	Honolulu	1	Waldemar G. Hintz	E	102	102	..	53	53	..	30	30	..	6*
*7	Honolulo	St. Paul's	1950	Seventh Day Adventfst—18 Ave.	Honolulu	1	Everett J. Jensen	E	104	104	..	78	78	..	61	61	..	7*
8	Lihue	Lihue	1883	Lihue	Kauai	4	Thomas Allport	E	101	7	..	75	5	..	35	5	..	8
9	Oakland	First	1890	659 16th St. (Zone 12)	Alameda	1	Donald E. Wagner	E	466	1	..	336	..	8	304	4	..	9
10	Oakland	St. John's	1921	1820 55th Ave.	Alameda	1	Philip W. Bergstresser	E	290	19	..	170	7	..	115	11	..	10
11	Redding	St. James	1949	Central Valley	Shasta	5	Albert J. Shandrick	E	82	14	..	57	7	..	30	..	12	11
12	Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	1947	Masonic Temple	Washoe	2	J. Edward Oslund	E	233	44	..	136	21	..	122	21	..	12
13	Richmond	Grace	1924	513 13th St.	Contra Costa	1	Milus W. Bonker	E	1164	59	..	667	49	..	558	28	..	13
*14	Richmond	Harbor Gate	1950	2900 Meeker Ave.	Contra Costr	1	Milus W. Bonker	E	100	100	..	56	56	..	50	50	..	14*
15	Richmod	St. James	1946	1331 Carlson Blvd.	Contra Costa	1	Casl H. Moyer	E	164	67	..	88	34	..	71	25	..	15
16	Sacramento	First English	1890	2910 39th St.	Sacramento	1	Paul H. Wolpert	E	563	34	..	371	19	..	280	15	..	16
17	Sacramento	St. John's	1867	1701 "L" St.	Sacramento	1	Robert S. Romeis	E	1451	157	..	967	102	..	787	86	..	17
18	Sacramento	St. Paul's	1945	2958 59th St.	Sacramento	1	Vacant	E	241	49	..	118	15	..	101	10	..	18
19	San Francisco	First English	1886	6555 Geary at 30 Ave.	San Francisco	1	Dwight L. Miley	E	156	43	..	112	31	..	100	31	..	19
20	San Francisco	St. Mark's	1849	1135 O'Farrell St.	San Francisco	1	J. George Dorn	E	1123	40	..	756	32	..	375	9	..	20
21	San Francisco	St. Matthew's	1895	3281 16th St.	San Francisco	1	Herman Lucas	EG	327	9	..	256	5	..	132	..	..	21
22	San Francisco	Temple	1917	15 Latona St. (Zone 24)	San Francisco	1	Eldon R. Miller	E	193	21	..	135	11	..	94	6	..	22
23	Sanger	St. Paul's	1907	1128 "N" St.	Fresno	4	Vaaant	EG	194	1	..	143	3	..	54	..	..	23
24	San Jose	Grace	1892	59 East Julian St.	Santa Clara	2	Clarence F. Crouser	E	485	52	..	297	18	..	182	13	..	24
25	San Leandro	Epiphany	1949	16248 Carolyn St.	Alameda	2	Franklin A. Swanson	E	240	56	..	164	46	..	129	28	..	25
26	San Mateo	St. Andrew's	1944	El Camino Real at 15th Ave.	San Mateo	2	E. Dale Click	E	300	60	..	211	37	..	195	50	..	26
27	Vallejo	St. Paul's	1943	1300 Tuolumne St.	Solano	2	Glen O. Balsley	E	531	48	..	300	36	..	207	6	..	27
28	Yreka	Mt. Zion	1947	417 S. Oregon St.	Siskiyou	4	Kenneth Linton	E	137	20	..	90	13	..	59	7	..	28
	1950 Totals	Congregations 28					Pastors 35		10778	1207	148	7166	761	98	4873	567	46	1950
	1949 Totals	Congregations 25					Pastors 36		9719	901	124	6503	509	153	4352	490	102	1949
	Increase	3							1059	306	24	663	252		521	77		Inc.
	Decrease						1							55			56	Dec.

* New Congregation (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1950, TABLE 1—Continued

Index Number	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS									EDUCATION															Index Number
				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss		Accessions					Losses				PARISH												HIGHER				
																							Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church		Number of Catechumens	In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Motherhouses	In Other Luth. Insts.	In Non-Luth. Insts.	
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissal 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissal 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Home Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	27	28	29	30	31	
1	417	327	235	8	17	25	8		2		10	15		7	22	35	30	94	3	2	6	11	1	15	108	6	8				18	47	59	2			15	1
2	601	409	260	22	11	33	12		7	14	33			6	16	10	15	47	2	9	36	47	1	22	211		42						32				17	2
3	517	423	145	11		11	5		2	6	13		2		5	18		23	17	4	2	23	1	12	70								6				4	3
4	214	172	32	8		8			1		1	7				1		1	3	3		6	1	4	40													4
5	282	199	130	29	7	36	4		10	83	97		61	3	5	19	7	34	4	69	46	119	1	11	70	5	18						14				11	5
* 6	102	53	30	18	33	51			2		2	49		2	22	33		57		4		4	1	16	171								24					6*
* 7	104	78	61	7	20	27				1	1	26		1	13	43	23	80		1	1	2	1	5	32								19				4	7*
8	101	75	35	5		5			3		3	2			1	6	1	8		3		3	1	7	61		12						4					8
9	466	336	304	17	10	27	3		8	7	18	9		2	13	13	2	30	2	16	20	38	1	18	120		40						16				4	9
10	290	170	115	10	3	13			1		1	12		6	6	6	2	20	3	2	8	13	1	12	71		37						12				2	10
11	82	57	30	5	12	17			2	8	10	7		5	10	8	1	24		5	12	17	1	5	100		10						15					11
12	233	136	122	11	15	26	2		1		3	23			4	5	16	25		4		4	1	8	75								20					12
13	1164	667	558	88	32	120	10	1	18	81	110	10		11	74	35	44	164	3	55	57	115	1	32	320		86						101			2	25	13
*14	100	56	50		44	44						44			11	45		56					1	15	200								12	1			2	14*
15	164	85	71	22	11	33						33		7	12	14	5	38	2		2	4	1	13	117		6						27				2	15
16	563	371	280	27	9	36	5		4	12	21	15		7	16	6	14	43	4	9	11	24	1	20	168		54						23	1			9	16
17	1451	967	787	56	18	74	4	2	2	11	19	55		20	38	64	27	149	11	11	25	47	1	21	275		12						82	1		1	29	17
18	241	118	101	29	13	42	2		1	5	8	34		2	12	12	2	28	1	5	7	13	1	26	255		15	1	4	30			18				4	18
19	156	112	100	8	4	12						12		3	8	21	12	44	3	2	8	13	1	5	66		12						32				4	19
20	1123	756	375	18	7	25	5		9	3	17	8		10	20	39	34	103	3	28	40	71	1	15	190		75						50				15	20
21	327	256	132	9	3	12	5			3	8	4		2	5			7		2		2	1	7	74		56						8			1	14	21
22	193	135	94	17	5	22	4		4	4	12	10		9	12	4	6	31	1	9	10	20	1	14	147		10						21				4	22
23	194	143	54	2		2	4				4		2		4			4	1			1	1	4	47								4					23
24	485	297	182	24	12	36	2				2	34		3	15	21	8	47	6	8	15	29	1	23	141	22	44						51				16	24
25	240	164	129	14	10	24	2		12		14	10		5	24	35	7	71	2	15	8	25	1	8	122		35						47				2	25
26	300	211	195	15	18	33	4		2	4	10	23		6	30	25		61	1	10	13	24	1	20	210		25						40				5	26
27	531	300	207	28	22	50	5		1	32	38	12		12	19	24	11	66		3	27	30	2	27	335		35						44				4	27
28	137	90	59	9	1	10	3				3	7		5	3	9	2	19	1	2	3	6	2	13	130		15						8					28
1950	10778	7166	4873	517	337	854	89	3	92	274	458	461	65	134	426	551	269	1374	73	281	357	711	30	408	3852	33	737	1	4	30	13	47	795	5		4	192	1950
1949	9719	6503	4352	493	275	768	81	8	102	166	357	428	17	74	402	439	183	1098	80	158	535	773	27	331	2961	31	646	7	63	626	4	15	663	2		3	164	1949
Inc.	1059	663	521	24	62	86	8			108	101	33	48	60	18	112	86	276		123			3	77	891	2	91				14	32	132	3		1	28	Inc.
Dec.								5	10										7		178	62						6	59	596								Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																			Index Number
	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y. People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE									
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED			
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
1	1	31	2	73	1	24	2	18	20,000	18,500	8,000	...	14,891	61,391	6,090	10,594	7,135	17,729	896	220	100	992	467	2,675	1,380	1,380	4,055	21,784	1
2	1	19	2	74	1	46	1	15	22,500	4,500	35,500	...	...	62,500	15,800	8,217	21,250	29,467	365	200	50	250	1007	1,870	2,004	2,091	3,961	33,428	2
3	1	21	3	76	...	...	1	17	10,000	5,000	5,000	...	...	20,000	...	5,145	...	5,145	262	...	...	...	82	344	1,164	638	982	6,127	3
4	...	...	1	31	...	...	...	...	7,000	...	...	...	...	7,000	...	2,450	428	2,878	135	...	...	...	46	181	300	300	481	3,359	4
5	1	16	1	28	1	20	1	24	...	19,967	...	87,000	50,000	156,967	1,478	11,275	507	11,782	362	85	84	71	388	993	1,272	1,044	2,037	13,819	5
* 6	...	...	1	16	...	...	3	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,321	576	2,897	54	...	...	45	83	182	...	440	622	3,519	6*
* 7	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	30,000	30,000	25,613	4,578	1,765	6,343	278	...	...	...	100	378	...	400	778	7,121	7*
8	...	...	1	14	...	...	1	10	50,000	15,000	...	...	...	65,000	...	2,176	3,370	5,545	200	...	...	...	45	245	240	240	485	6,030	8
9	1	46	2	103	1	30	1	20	30,000	15,000	10,000	...	...	55,000	6,276	9,293	2,525	11,818	1600	115	417	610	634	3,376	2,490	2,630	6,006	17,824	9
10	1	10	3	67	...	...	1	15	20,000	13,000	4,500	...	1,000	38,500	8,518	4,854	669	5,523	240	130	10	...	...	380	827	757	1,137	6,660	10
11	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	14,000	...	...	...	1,875	15,875	15,000	1,512	802	2,314	...	...	...	...	...	30	30	336	134	164	2,478	11
12	...	...	1	30	...	...	...	...	...	14,500	...	...	20,000	34,500	19,000	4,960	6,000	10,960	...	...	...	...	120	120	804	804	924	11,884	12
13	1	30	1	60	1	20	3	50	35,000	19,000	...	...	25,000	79,000	9,972	13,246	2,558	15,804	1652	20	30	310	2310	4,352	4,236	4,236	8,588	24,392	13
*14	...	...	2	30	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	926	...	926	10	...	...	...	...	10	...	10	20	946	14*
15	...	...	1	18	...	...	1	10	...	8,500	...	...	8,490	16,990	10,200	2,517	3,675	6,192	115	...	18	...	223	356	384	384	740	6,932	15
16	1	14	1	52	1	32	1	14	40,000	12,000	6,000	...	1,383	59,383	7,732	8,368	2,032	10,400	755	153	142	440	625	2,115	2,124	2,124	4,239	14,639	16
17	1	45	3	122	2	75	1	32	207,000	15,000	...	500	3,184	225,684	15,600	21,782	18,212	39,994	4136	...	377	2030	3412	9,955	5,604	5,604	15,559	55,553	17
18	1	16	1	27	...	...	1	14	41,000	7,200	...	...	...	48,200	30,450	5,070	2,179	7,249	528	...	50	221	326	1,125	732	732	1,857	9,106	18
19	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	75,000	11,500	...	...	...	86,500	24,500	4,544	1,021	5,565	60	...	...	75	280	415	552	552	967	6,532	19
20	...	...	2	130	2	60	2	40	250,000	...	...	75,000	25,000	350,000	4,000	17,989	7,940	25,929	1303	80	...	1016	516	2,915	2,928	2,928	5,843	31,772	20
21	1	18	2	56	1	16	2	36	36,000	...	...	...	...	36,000	...	7,999	...	7,999	660	...	...	198	500	1,358	1,056	1,056	2,414	10,413	21
22	...	...	2	32	...	...	2	23	13,500	8,000	...	...	...	21,500	...	4,802	492	5,294	220	...	...	...	132	352	708	708	1,060	6,354	22
23	...	...	1	24	...	...	...	...	6,000	3,500	...	...	500	10,000	...	1,655	...	1,655	...	268	...	...	18	286	432	286	572	2,227	23
24	1	38	5	147	2	47	1	20	35,000	10,000	...	...	...	45,000	1,575	6,138	3,368	9,506	210	25	62	15	785	1,097	1,356	1,437	2,534	12,040	24
25	1	20	1	61	1	15	1	14	35,500	11,000	...	...	3,000	49,500	41,500	2,111	5,575	7,686	505	...	23	...	152	680	804	304	1,484	9,170	25
26	1	20	1	35	1	24	3	28	51,000	8,250	...	...	...	59,250	43,219	6,290	2,440	8,730	372	35	...	150	693	1,250	1,164	1,164	2,414	11,144	26
27	1	55	6	72	...	...	1	10	66,541	14,000	...	...	223	80,764	34,182	6,959	4,834	11,793	706	173	318	381	811	2,389	1,609	1,609	3,998	15,791	27
28	1	12	2	25	...	...	2	18	12,700	...	...	...	...	12,700	9,690	3,175	817	3,992	104	15	150	...	8	277	420	420	697	4,689	28
1950	16	411	59	1431	15	409	34	512	1,077,741	233,417	69,000	162,500	184,546	1,707,204	330,394	180,945	100,170	281,115	15759	1519	1831	6804	13,793	39,706	34,836	34,912	74,618	355,733	1950
1949	16	413	47	1276	18	535	25	400	1,046,531	236,700	84,500	116,321	130,823	1,614,875	307,369	162,708	162,880	325,588	2518	1165	1750	5237	13,674	24,344	31,704	32,340	56,684	382,272	1949
Inc.		....	3	155	...	....	9	112	31,210	...	...	46,179	53,723	112,329	23,034	18,237	...	...	13241	354	81	1567	119	15,362	3,132	3,572	17,934	...	Inc.
Dec.	...	2	...	...	3	126	...	...	...	3,283	15,500	...	...	...	...	...	62,710	44,473	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26,539	Dec.

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1947	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
									14			15			16			
29	Alhambra	Grace	1923	433 No. Atlantic Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Harold J. Lorimer	E	586	10		387	5		263	2		29
30	Alhambra	Our Savior's	1949	1420 S. Marengo Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Walter M. Stuhr	E	92	24		65	14		53	13		30
31	Altadena	Altadena	1944	185 West Foothill Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Titus Scholl	E	318	56		189	14		166	29		31
32	Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	1930	100 N. Doheny Drive L.A.	Los Angeles	1	Guy L. Hudson	E	460	29		340	26		168		12	32
33	Burbank	Luther Memorial	1946	2401 N. Brighton Street	Los Angeles	2	L. A. Failing	E	326	45		217	17		140	20		33
34	Culver City	Grace	1945	4427 Overland Ave.	Los Angeles	3	Wm. Herbert Blough	E	315	17		210	23		175	27		34
35	El Monte	Redeemer	1947	11621 E. Bryant Road	Los Angeles	2	Willis J. Forsyth	E	154	20		90	7		50	5		35
36	Gardena	St. John's	1924	1204 W. 163rd St.	Los Angeles	3	Robert Wheatley	E	271	8		171		4	87		45	36
37	Glendale	First	1912	233 S. Kenwood St.	Los Angeles	1	Carl V. Tambert	E	1536	77		1203	48		1026	18		37
*38	Globe, Ariz.	St. Paul's	1950	Maple & High	Gila	4	Jack W. Glidewell	E	78	78		54	54		27	27		38*
39	Hollywood	Hollywood	1921	1733 No. New Hampshire Ave.	Los Angeles	1	R. Bertam Reed	E	1399		3	940		53	584	45		39
40	Huntington Park	St. Luke's	1921	2721 E. Florence Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Charles P. Smith	E	724	24		533	15		365	6		40
41	Inglewood	Holy Trinity	1941	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Benner Weaver	E	810	48		511	17		425	20		41
42	La Canada	Foothills	1948	700 Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	4	John P. Stump	E	259	36		158	13		122	9		42
43	Lakewood	Lakewood	1947	5633 Wardlow Road	Los Angeles	3	Louis F. Mertz	E	215	61		102	27		86	19		43
44	Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	1948	110 N. Ninth Street	Clark	2	Thomas J. Daly	E	168	29		97	6		72			44
45	Long Beach	Faith	1945	3040 Santa Fe Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Paul C. Wharton	E	235		17	148		6	105		1	45
46	Long Beach	Trinity	1907	759 Linden Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Orval Awerkamp	E	1141	71		808	39		527	20		46
47	Los Angeles	Advent	1886	1329 S. Alvarado St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Scherer	E	499	33		383	18		342	5		47
48	Los Angeles	Bethany	1926	7011 S. San Pedro St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Irving Kohler	E	362		110	233		46	100		33	48
49	Los Angeles	First English	1887	3119 West Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Albert B. Schwertz	E	1669	94		1290	74		860	60		49
50	Los Angeles	St. Mark's	1904	1122 W. 36th Place	Los Angeles	1	Frederick H. Bartelt	E	255	3		196		6	138	13		50
51	Los Angeles	Transfiguration	1947	8515 S. Rayford Dr.	Los Angeles	1	J. Emery Ackerman	E	275	65		161	45		113	32		51
52	Manhattan Beach	Trinity	1949	Manhattan Beach Blvd. & Herrin	Los Angeles	3	George L Ulrich	E	178	35		113	20		80			52
53	Monterey Park	St. Paul's	1914	2009 S. Garfield Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Donald W. Endter	E	249	58		154	31		104	17		53
*54	Norco	Bethany	1950	Norco	Riverside	5	F. W. Heinecken	E	54	54		35	35		33	33		54*
55	North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	1931	11031 Camarillo Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Edward N. Spirer	E	868		60	493		50	368		17	55
56	Pasadena	Trinity	1903	997 E. Walnut St.	Los Angeles	1	H. Paul Romeis	E	813	39		583	26		425	25		56
57	Phoenix, Ariz.	Faith	1945	801 East Camelback Road	Maricopa	1	Frank H. Clutz	E	662	139		442	92		412	88		57
58	Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	1914	1124 North Third St.	Maricopa	1	H. C. Lindsay	E	1465	141		899	89		867	93		58
59	Pomona	Trinity	1947	737 So. Hamilton Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Wm. Bowman	E	152	16		87	12		77	6		59
60	Redlands	First	1901	East Olive at Myrtle	San Bernardino	3	Vacant	E	209	23		152	20		87		6	60
61	Riverside	Trinity	1892	4144 9th St.	Riverside	2	F. W. Heinecken	E	551	77		403	61		210	10		61
62	San Bernardino	First	1907	631 G. Street	San Bernardino	2	Arthur W. Alm	E	619	23		354		4	269	21		62
63	San Diego	Christ	1947	4761 Cass St.	San Diego	1	Quentin P. Garman	E	428	94		252	48		235	52		63
64	San Diego	First	1888	1320 Second Ave.	San Diego	1	Erwin A. Vosseler	E	851	46		641	21		332			64
65	San Diego	St. Peter's	1945	1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.	San Diego	1	Vlad P. Benko	E	248	13		153	29		85	14		65
66	San Fernando	St. Mark's	1949	2064 Fifth Ss.	Los Angeles	2	Marlin J. Fellner	E	237	37		140	25		110	10		66
67	Santa Barbara	Grace	1904	1109 Anacapa	Santa Barbara	2	Walter M. Ruccins	E	265		38	185		23	143	1		67
68	Santa Monica	St. Paul's	1926	958 Lincoln Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Clifford B. Holand	E	1019	44		541	15		385	4		68
69	Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	1945	1909 Helen	Pima	1	George A. Spindt	E	595	52		406	31		300		12	69
*70	Van Nuys	St. Andrew,s	1950	5661 Sepnlveda Blvd	Los Angeles	1	C. H. Meyer	E	208	208		128	128		74	74		70*
71	Westwood	Village	1938	343 Sepulveda Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	A. J. Soldan	E	274	59		184	27		138	10		71
72	Whittier	Salem	1946	6442 S. Glengarry Ave.	Los Angeles	2	David E. Robison	E	387	98		259	65		182	41		72
	1950 Totals	Congregations 44					Pastors 78		22479	2084	228	15099	1296	192	10910	869	126	1950

Index Number	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Adult Members: Accessions: By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Losses: Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissl 6	Total B	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	Accessions: By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	Losses: By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissl 13	Total D	Sunday Schools: Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In Sun. School 19	In Home Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Parish Weekday Schools: Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Children of Church: Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	Higher: In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
29	586	387	263	23	11	34	12		7	10	29	5		7	26	24	15	72	4	39	24	67	1	24	176	27	34						41			2	9	29
30	92	65	53	6	8	14				4	4	10			11	4	5	20	1		5	6	1	8	57								20			2	1	30
31	318	189	166	31	25	56	2			12	14	42		5	9	19	10	53	1		37	39	1	12	150								36				10	31
32	460	340	168	5	2	7	2		2		4	3		2	7	9	20	38	5	7		12	1	9	106								9				7	32
33	326	217	140	26	8	34	2			4	6	28		1	3	35		39		2	20	22	1	17	185		15	1	1	22			13					33
34	315	210	175	16	2	18	4			20	24		6	2	10	20	2	34		10	1	11	1	14	165					15			14		1		4	34
35	154	90	50	11	7	18	2		3		5	13			2	13		15		8		8	1	10	80		8						13				1	35
36	271	171	87	16	5	21	3			6	9	12			35	14		49	2	8	43	53	1	27	171		18						61				2	36
37	1,536	1,203	1026	42	35	77	10		13	5	28	49		9	29	52	38	128	10	68	22	100	1	41	451	8	92						142	2		3	33	37
*38	78	54	27	11	33	44				20	20	24		3	79	16		98		6	38	44	1	7	38	38							82					38*
39	1,399	940	584	48	35	83	5	1	24	3	33	50		1	12	16	6	35	8	61	19	88	1	18	290	21	55	1	1	14	1	20	19				10	39
40	724	533	365	26	11	37	6		4	18	28	9		4	15	27	1	47	2	9	21	32	1	27	204	18	31				2	16	19	1		2	18	40
41	810	511	425	33	28	61	7		9	14	30	31		8	18	22	19	67	3	23	24	50	1	26	281		197						67			1	10	41
42	259	158	122	12	22	34			7	4	11	23		2	14	23		39	1	7	18	26	1	11	95		30						25				1	42
43	215	102	86	16	24	40	5			1	6	34		1	5	26	1	33	1		5	6	1	12	235		46						12				1	43
44	168	97	72	20	10	30	2		2	3	7	23		1	8	16	1	26	2	5	13	20	1	4	44		31						9					44
45	235	148	105	16	8	24			10	25	35		11	5	6	7	5	23		20	9	29	1	19	158		40						28					45
46	1141	808	527	31	19	50	3		11	4	18	32		6	12	42	46	106	4	49	14	67	1	34	258		57				2	32	18	1		1	10	46
47	499	383	342	29	11	40	6		13	6	25	15		4	15	36	23	78	5	36	19	60	1	26	159		35						78				17	47
48	362	232	100	10	9	19	5		3	75	83		64	5	5	4	6	20	1	15	50	66	1	10	75								10				2	48
49	1,669	1,299	860	48	10	58	5			33	38	20		23	108	34		165	12	64	15	91	1	20	115		40	1	5	80			131	4		15	1	49
50	255	196	138	5	10	15	5		1		6	9			13	4		17	5	7	11	23	1	12	69								13			1	4	50
51	275	161	113	19	17	36	4		6	6	16	20		2	12	42		56		6	5	11	1	15	170								20				3	51
52	178	113	80	21	20	41	4		2	20	26	15		7	4	14	8	33		2	11	13	1	9	145		20						15				1	52
53	249	154	104	13	14	27						27			11	21	2	34	3			3	1	18	212		18						19				6	53
*54	54	35	33	1	18	19						19				27	8	35					1	5	25		2											54*
55	868	493	368	27	11	38	8		11	29	48		10	3	22	22	28	75	3	30	92	125	1	23	325		54				2	20	25				12	55
56	813	583	425	22	7	29	10		6		16	13			13	32	2	47	6	15		21	1	20	321		47						27			1	27	56
57	662	442	412	33	30	63	6		10		16	47		6	38	47	22	113	4	17		21	1	50	384	12	31				8	35	63	1			17	57
58	1,465	899	867	55	49	104	13	1	18	20	52	52		11	45	108		164	14	49	12	75	1	60	675	75	170						72	1		1	37	58
59	152	87	77	3	1	4						4		4	5	7	5	21	1	2	6	9	1	6	70		7						9					59
60	209	152	87	3	1	4			1		1	3			3	20		23	2	1		3	1	8	60		17						6				1	60
61	551	403	210	14	9	23	3			4	7	16		2	13	17	33	65	2	2		4	1	24	131		26						45					61
62	619	354	269	26	10	36	6		3		9	27		8	10	17	9	44	4	4	40	48	1	18	130	10	21				5	20	24	1		2	12	62
63	428	252	235	26	40	66	3		17		20	46		8	52	20		80	1	17	14	32	1	30	390		33						61				2	63
64	851	641	332	36	20	56			13	18	31	25		3	12	50	4	69	6	27	15	48	1	21	125	10	30						25	1		2	8	64
65	248	153	85	14		14		1	2	27	30		16	5	22	16		43		4	10	14	1	15	145		20						32				2	65
66	237	140	110	4	16	20	4		1	3	8	12			17	20	1	38	1	2	10	13	1	15	106		14						21					66
67	265	185	143	10	3	13			2	26	28		15	3		14	15	32	5	6	44	55	1	10	65		25						9				2	67
68	1,019	531	385	46		46	9		8		17	29			14	23		37	3	19		22	1	23	248		95						14			1	10	68
69	595	406	300	28	26	54	7		14	12	33	21		2	19	76	1	98	9	30	28	67	1	20	197	7	30						37				20	69
*70	208	128	74	19	61	80						80		10	33	60	19	128					1	14	105	16	10						43				2	70*
71	274	184	138	24	10	34				2	2	32		5		10	32	47	4	10	6	20	1	20	175		40				2	25	27					71
72	387	259	182	10	25	35	1			1	2	33		2	6	57	5	70	3	2		5	2	31	307	2	27						25				3	72
1950	22,479	15,099	10910	935	721	1,656	164	3	223	435	825	953	122	170	803	1189	392	2554	138	690	701	1529	45	843	8703	244	1466	3	7	131	22	168	1479	12	1	34	306	1950
1949	20,623	14,074	10167	904	670	1,574	180	11	163	658	1012	877	315	178	749	1280	413	2620	140	519	1089	1748	41	729	6722	176	1388	16	88	803	15	156	1236	8	1	22	328	1949
Inc.	1,856	1,025	743	31	51	82			60			76			54					171			4	114	1351	68	78				7	12	243	4		12		Inc.
Dec.							16	8		223	187		193	8		91	21	66	2		388	219						13	71	672							22	Dec.

Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Womn's Number	Womn's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. People Number	Y. People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
29	1	38	2	67	2	54	2	24	50,000	20,000	50,000	...	...	120,000	32,937	5,776	12,179	17,955	91	343	102	514	226	1076	2088	2088	3164	21,119	29
30	1	12	1	30	1	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,212	3,212	...	1,959	55	2,014	125	...	10	95	259	489	324	324	813	2,827	30
31	1	20	1	50	1	16	2	21	50,600	12,500	...	...	...	63,100	33,000	5,373	7,170	12,543	568	34	...	68	212	882	1092	1092	1974	14,517	31
32	1	16	1	32	...	...	1	12	104,000	...	...	...	...	104,000	17,000	6,090	32,267	38,543	294	382	10	148	...	834	1440	1440	2274	40,631	32
33	1	35	1	38	1	22	1	16	32,500	12,500	...	...	4,500	49,500	26,477	3,472	3,190	6,662	...	60	...	...	43	103	960	960	1063	7,725	33
34	1	20	2	40	1	20	2	30	32,000	18,000	...	...	...	50,000	23,880	6,817	1,925	8,742	...	100	...	75	1230	1405	1188	1200	2605	11,347	34
35	1	10	1	12	2	20	...	...	...	9,500	2,000	...	5,000	16,500	11,500	1,409	1,011	2,420	...	...	...	...	105	105	360	360	465	2,885	35
36	1	27	2	28	...	...	2	29	15,000	10,000	...	...	...	25,000	1,200	5,316	491	5,807	662	...	...	20	104	786	1056	1056	1842	7,649	36
37	1	118	1	209	3	140	3	92	30,000	11,800	10,080	...	80,000	131,880	...	26,073	850	26,923	16004	931	2369	1318	3979	18601	8064	8264	26865	53,788	37
*38	...	...	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	500	500	...	1,618	...	1,618	31	...	...	...	...	31	...	302	333	1,951	38*
39	1	25	3	112	3	85	2	40	65,000	25,000	10,500	...	30,986	131,486	13,220	16,582	1,413	17,995	971	1082	936	627	365	3981	4308	4308	8289	26,284	39
40	1	36	1	152	1	28	1	18	103,289	...	...	175	4,416	107,880	27,340	11,170	247	11,417	1059	245	...	130	574	2008	2868	2870	4878	16,295	40
41	1	40	1	70	2	125	3	42	145,554	20,406	...	...	...	165,960	72,865	17,175	8,815	25,990	1040	...	...	265	608	1913	3240	3240	5153	31,143	41
42	1	20	1	35	1	35	...	...	39,000	12,300	...	...	1,000	52,300	40,857	4,507	13,969	18,476	25	...	...	5	34	64	900	900	964	19,440	42
43	1	23	1	25	...	...	1	6	35,000	12,500	...	...	...	47,500	39,000	4,362	3,255	7,617	420	144	10	191	5	770	540	580	1350	8,967	43
44	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,450	6,450	3,750	1,964	1,283	3,247	78	...	...	...	10	88	576	591	679	3,926	44
45	1	15	1	20	...	...	1	15	16,000	9,000	...	...	...	25,000	11,287	3,399	1,130	4,529	186	...	...	...	368	554	852	983	1537	6,066	45
46	1	15	1	137	...	...	1	30	250,000	...	...	...	22,000	272,000	5,000	18,657	3,450	22,107	3966	1051	2951	644	824	9436	4056	4056	13492	35,599	46
47	1	25	3	69	4	117	2	29	50,000	15,000	...	...	923	65,923	5,900	13,759	2,759	16,518	880	171	335	1319	1688	4393	2700	2700	7093	23,611	47
48	1	15	1	20	...	...	1	2	50,000	...	...	...	...	50,000	...	3,271	800	4,071	200	...	...	...	300	500	1068	700	1200	5,271	48
49	1	60	3	130	1	40	3	60	100,000	38,000	...	15,000	5,000	158,000	...	49,997	...	49,997	4476	1479	731	2082	6805	15573	6396	6400	21973	71,970	49
50	1	16	3	54	1	21	1	12	27,000	14,000	...	...	...	41,000	13,200	5,530	1,239	6,768	171	...	...	...	239	410	996	996	1406	8,174	50
51	1	15	1	37	1	24	2	40	18,500	10,500	2,500	...	3,100	34,600	27,600	3,271	2,000	5,271	405	28	...	...	193	626	648	648	1274	6,545	51
52	1	15	1	25	...	...	1	10	...	11,000	...	...	7,600	18,600	17,060	2,833	2,971	5,805	45	...	...	...	6	51	636	636	687	6,491	52
53	...	...	2	34	2	35	1	10	55,000	10,500	...	...	...	65,500	28,854	4,262	29,866	34,128	204	...	15	55	250	524	696	696	1220	35,348	53
*54	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	645	...	645	...	...	...	...	11	11	...	14	25	670	54*
55	1	15	2	50	...	...	3	70	35,500	8,000	...	...	...	43,500	...	10,812	...	10,812	1215	35	290	175	1335	3050	3084	3084	6134	16,946	55
56	1	25	2	130	2	120	2	50	80,000	20,000	...	...	15,500	115,500	...	14,081	1,431	15,512	1911	1100	250	530	2352	6193	3204	3204	9397	24,909	56
57	1	65	1	55	3	114	1	60	60,000	11,000	20,000	...	7,500	98,500	31,120	8,887	27,327	36,214	1079	126	50	220	717	2192	2592	2592	4784	40,998	57
58	1	76	1	150	1	100	2	95	80,000	7,500	...	4,391	8,500	100,391	10,039	22,301	2,544	24,845	4968	702	...	111	1673	7454	6192	6192	13646	38,491	58
59	1	16	1	24	1	18	1	12	10,500	10,500	...	...	...	21,000	5,668	2,123	521	2,644	181	60	...	...	120	361	564	593	954	3,598	59
60	1	22	2	30	...	...	1	6	15,000	13,000	...	...	...	28,000	3,299	3,058	1,559	4,617	311	5	...	...	402	718	744	744	1462	6,079	60
61	...	...	3	90	2	80	2	40	20,000	5,000	5,000	...	22,500	52,500	8,500	14,500	12,000	26,500	...	...	...	...	1000	1000	1596	1602	2602	29,102	61
62	1	18	2	50	1	30	3	33	25,000	9,500	...	...	15,000	49,500	6,950	7,855	8,233	16,088	454	...	68	267	877	1666	1992	1992	3658	19,746	62
63	1	40	1	50	...	...	1	12	50,000	10,000	...	...	4,600	64,600	37,000	5,782	14,050	19,832	915	300	76	20	443	1754	1464	1464	3218	23,050	63
64	1	25	3	80	1	24	1	25	70,000	10,000	...	...	...	80,000	9,911	10,916	528	11,444	1009	330	478	741	241	2799	2652	2652	5451	16,895	64
65	...	...	1	25	1	16	2	36	22,900	8,425	...	...	...	31,325	24,087	4,300	3,620	7,920	180	...	...	29	64	273	564	564	837	8,757	65
66	1	16	1	28	...	...	1	15	...	6,000	...	...	8,000	14,000	12,780	1,658	652	2,310	225	...	...	6	129	360	804	804	1164	3,474	66
67	1	20	1	45	...	...	1	15	30,000	5,000	...	...	...	35,000	1,450	6,543	531	7,074	1257	...	95	179	514	2045	1140	1233	3278	10,352	67
68	1	25	2	105	2	54	3	74	135,000	...	40,000	...	...	175,000	22,000	12,801	4,550	17,351	593	227	125	170	1595	2710	3048	3048	5758	23,109	68
69	1	20	2	40	1	20	2	30	65,110	9,500	...	...	...	74,610	36,937	5,925	3,288	9,213	970	478	25	155	380	2008	2496	2496	4504	13,717	69
*70	1	20	1	35	1	12	1	18	...	...	...	...	15,957	15,957	13,500	2,347	1,448	3,795	108	50	50	50	33	291	...	359	650	4,445	70*
71	...	...	1	40	1	50	1	25	56,000	...	...	...	10,000	66,000	...	12,597	6,500	19,097	...	...	...	...	465	465	1020	...	465	19,562	71
72	1	20	1	38	1	44	1	21	38,000	13,500	...	...	...	51,500	22,900	5,692	1,864	7,556	609	...	...	155	427	1191	1128	1129	2320	9,876	72
1950	37	1039	65	2539	45	1514	62	1175	2,031,453	419,431	140,080	19,566	282,244	2,922,774	698,068	377,465	222,980	600,445	41886	9463	3976	10214	31,205	101,744	81,336	81,156	182,900	783,345	1950
1949	29	870	63	2300	45	1473	62	1281	1,906,432	336,425	80,080	22,568	204,474	2,549,979	592,917	348,098	213,068	561,166	4139	7985	5233	7[illegible]82	35,714	60,353	75,764	74,193	134,546	695,712	1949
Inc.	8	169	2	239	...	41	...	...	155,021	83,006	60,000	...	77,770	372,795	105,151	29,367	9,912	39,279	3771	1478	3743	2932	...	41,391	5,572	6,963	48,254	87,633	Inc.

PAROCHIAL REPORT—Continued

SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION					COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1949	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
				Geographical Loc. of Church Bldg.					Total		Pastors		14			15			16			
				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)														
	North. Conference	Congregations, 28		16	8	..	3	1	28		35		10,778	1,207	148	7,166	761	98	4,873	567	46	
	South. Conference	Congregations, 44		19	17	5	2	1	44		78		22,479	2,084	228	15,099	1,237	192	10,910	869	126	
	1950 Totals.....	Congregations, 72		35	25	5	5	2	72		113		33,257	3,291	376	22,265	1,998	290	15,783	1,436	172	1950
	1949 Totals.....	Congregations, 66							66		107		30,342	2,992	781	20,577	1,805	577	14,519	1,444	361	1949
	Increase.....	Congregations, 6.		..	..	..	..	..	6		6		2,915	299	.....	1,688	193	287	1,264	.....	.....	Inc.
	Decrease	.....													405					8	189	Dec.

SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES, TABLE 1—Continued

MEMBERSHIP

Index Number	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Child Members: Accessions: By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Child Members: Losses: Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissl 6	Total B	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	Adult Members: Accessions: By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	Adult Members: Losses: By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissl 13	Total D	Index Number
No.	10,778	7,166	4,873	517	337	854	89	3	92	274	458	461	65	134	420	551	269	1374	73	281	357	711	No.
So.	22,479	15,099	10910	935	721	1,656	184	3	223	435	825	953	122	170	803	1,189	392	2554	138	690	701	1,529	So
1950	33,257	22,265	15783	1452	1058	2,510	253	6	315	709	1283	1414	187	304	1223	1,740	661	3928	211	971	1058	2,240	1950
1949	30,342	20,577	14519	1397	945	2,342	261	19	265	658	1369	1305	332	252	1151	1,719	596	3718	220	677	1624	2,521	1949
Inc.	2,915	1,688	1264	55	113	168	....	...	50	51	....	109	....	52	72	21	65	210	....	294	....	.....	Inc.
Dec.	......	......	.....	....	....	.....	8	13	....	....	86	....	145	....	....	.....	.....	.....	9	....	566	281	Dec.

EDUCATION

Index Number	Parish: Sunday Schools: Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Weekday Schools: Number 22	Teachrs 23	Pupils 24	Children of Church: Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	Higher: In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
No.	30	408	3,852	33	737	1	4	30	18	47	795	5	....	4	192	No.
So.	45	843	8,073	244	1466	3	7	131	22	168	1479	12	1	34	306	So
1950	75	1251	11925	277	2203	4	11	161	40	215	2274	17	1	38	498	1950
1949	68	1060	9,683	207	2034	23	151	1429	19	171	1899	10	1	25	492	1949
Inc.	7	191	2,242	70	169	....	....	....	21	84	375	7	....	13	6	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	....	19	140	1268	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Dec.

SUMMARY, TABLE 1—Continued

GROUP ORGANIZATIONS / VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY

Index Number	Men's: Number 32	Members 33	Womn's: Number 34	Members 35	Mixed: Number 36	Members 37	Y. People: Number 38	Members 39	Church Building 40	Parsonage 41	School and/or Parish House 42	Endowment 43	Other Property 44	Total Valuation 45	Indebtedness 46
No.	16	411	50	1431	15	409	34	512	1,077,741	233,417	69,000	162,500	184,546	1,727,204	330,394
So.	37	1039	65	2539	45	1514	62	1175	2,061,453	419,431	140,080	19,566	282,244	2,922,774	698,068
1950	53	1450	115	3970	60	1923	96	1687	3,139,194	652,848	209,080	182,066	466,790	4,649,978	1028463
1949	45	1283	110	3576	63	2008	87	1681	2,952,963	573,125	164,580	138,889	335,306	4,164,863	900,277
Inc.	8	167	5	394	...	....	9	6	186,231	79,723	44,500	43,177	131,484	485,115	128,186
Dec.	...	....	...	....	3	85	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

FINANCIAL

Index Number	Congregational Expenses: Current 47	Unusual 48	Total 49	Congregational Benevolence: Unapportioned: Education 50	Foreign Missions 51	American Missions 52	Social Missions 53	Other Benevolence 54	Total 55	Apportioned: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid 56	Total Benevolence 57	Total Expenditures 58	Index Number
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1950	558,410	323,150	881,560	57645	10982	10807	17018	44,998	141,450	116,172	116,068	257,518	1139,078	1950
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FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sacramento, California

January 30 and 31, 1951

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*Redding, United Lutheran Church—Mrs. L. R. Hovey, President, 838 Junior, Redding.

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Sacramento, St. John's Lutheran (Mary E. Oehler Miss. Society)—Mrs. C. H. Jackson, President, 720 13th St., Sacramento.

Sacramento, St. Paul's Lutheran (Missionary Guild)—Mrs. J. S. Mossman, President, 5822 11th Ave., Sacramento.

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San Francisco, St. Matthew's Lutheran (Women's Missionary Society)—Miss Helen Selmoser, President, 565 Jersey St., San Francisco 14.

San Francisco, Temple Lutheran (Women of the Church, Gamma Chi Circle)—Mrs. Manuel Fuste, President, 1314 Octavia St., San Francisco 9.

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San Jose, Grace Lutheran, (Missionary Women of the Church)—Mrs. Jack W. Veley, President, 16080 Alum Rock Ave., San Jose.

San Leandro, Epiphany Lutheran Church (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Vera Eschenback, President, 16129 Carolyn St., San Leandro.

San Mateo, St. Andrew's Lutheran (Women of St. Andrew's)—Mrs. Henry Fuller, President, 200 Borel, San Mateo.

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Yreka, Mt. Zion Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Betty Linton, President, 417 So. Oregon St., Yreka.

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Alhambra, California Lutheran Home (Louise Miller Miss. Soc.)—Mrs. Orville Lyon, President, 2424 So. Fremont, Alhambra.

Alhambra, Our Saviours Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Ruth Stuhr, President, 1900 S. 7th Ave., Alhambra.

Altadena, Altadena Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. W. M. Johnson, President, 3000 N. Glen Ave., Altadena.

*Azusa, Calvary Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Harry Sands, President, 1042 W. 5th St., Azusa.

Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Phil Wiseman, President, 631 N. Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles 4.

Burbank, Luther Memorial (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Annette Rutherford, President, 371 W. Elm St., Burbank.

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El Monte, Redeemer Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. M. H. Remington, President, 2615 N. Paulsen Ave., El Monte.

Gardena, St. John's Lutheran (Women of the Church, Day Gr.)—Mrs. Gertrude Lichlider, President, 15931 Ainsworth, Gardena.

Gardena, St. John's Lutheran (Women of the Church, Evening Group)—Mrs. Albert Pitt, President, 1227 W. 159th St., Gardena.

Glendale, First Lutheran (Women of the Church) (Day Gr. (7)) Evening Gr. 2) — Mrs. Harry R. Sime, President, 3235 Buckingham Rd., Glendale 6. Mrs. Anna Herr, 214 So. Kenwood, Glendale 5.

Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. R. H. Arthur, President, P. O. Box 2021, Globe, Ariz.

Hollywood, Hollywood Lutheran, (Women of the Church)—Mrs. C. E. Engelhard, President, 1306½ Talmadge Ave., Los Angeles 27.

Hollywood, Hollywood Lutheran (Florence Welty Miss. Society)—Mrs. Gerhard Torrell, President, 2006 N. Kenmore Ave., Los Angeles 9.

Huntington Park, St. Luke's Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Herbert Faraday, President, 6211 Casitas Ave., Bell, Calif.

Inglewood, Holy Trinity Lutheran (Dorcas Society)—Mrs. LeRoy Wardle, President, 8110 Third Ave., Inglewood, Calif.

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Las Vegas, Reformation Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Wm. Peterson, President, 209 Sunset Drive or P. O. Box 1767, Las Vegas, Nev.

Long Beach, Faith Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Julia Sexauer, President, 3533 Easy Ave., Long Beach 10.

Long Beach, Lakewood Ev. Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Wm. J. Smith, President, 5703 Conant St., Long Beach 8.

Long Beach, Trinity Lutheran ((6) Women of the Church)—Mrs. Elfreda Screws, President, 2830 Fashion Ave., Long Beach 10.

Los Angeles, Advent Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Cyrus E. Johnson, President, 206 N. Mariposa Ave., Los Angeles 4.

Los Angeles, Advent Lutheran (Dorcas Society)—Mrs. Clarence Schafer, President, 1134 West 17th St., Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Advent Lutheran (Iota Eta Sigma)—Miss Henrietta Schultz, President, 4530 Edgewood Place, Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Bethany Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Justin Malone, President, 5638 Carlton Way, Hollywood 28, Calif.

Los Angeles, First English Lutheran (Women of the Church, Day Gr.)—Mrs. Beulah Lewis, President, 2560 Micheltorena, Los Angeles 26.

Los Angeles, First English Lutheran (Women of the Church, Evening Gr.)—Mrs. Marguerite C. Robbins, President, 106 No. Commonwealth, Los Angeles 4.

Los Angeles, St. Mark's Lutheran (Women's Missionary Society)—Mrs. M. Volkert, President, 4012 Woodlawn, Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, St. Mark's Lutheran (Loving Hearts Miss. Society)—Mrs. Minerva Beaulieu, President, 6532 Firebrand, Los Angeles 45.

Los Angeles, Transfiguration Lutheran (Dorcas Society)—Mrs. Elroy Kalal, President, 7076 W. 85th, Los Angeles 45.

**Manhatten Beach, Trinity Lutheran—Mrs. Adele Hite, President, 3105 Dow Ave., North Redondo Beach, Calif.

Monterey Park, St. Paul's Lutheran (St. Paul's W.M.S.)—Mrs. Edgar Gardner, President, 1117 Amalia Ave., Los Angeles 22.

Monterey Park, St. Paul's Lutheran (Yowomis)—Mrs. Patricia Haar, President, 448 So. Fraser, Los Angeles 23.

Norco, Bethany Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. W. C. Johnson, President, 555 Pedley St., Rt. 1, Box 1638, Norco, Calif.

North Hollywood, St. Matthew's Lutheran (Mena Spirer Society)—Mrs. E. Kohnen, President, 4233 Bakman Ave., North Hollywood.

North Hollywood, St. Matthew's Lutheran (Faith Missionary Society)—Mrs. Irma Moldenhauer, President, 10672 Oxnard, North Hollywood.

Pasadena, Trinity Lutheran ((2) Women of the Church)—Mrs. Roy S. Peterson, President, 244 S. Catalina Ave., Pasadena 5.

Phoenix, Faith Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Margaret Peterson, President, 4745 W. 32nd St., Phoenix, Ariz.

Phoenix, Grace Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Roger C. Thomas, President, 135 E. Missouri, Phoenix, Ariz.

Pomona, Trinity Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. W. J. Bohm, President, 1873 4th St., LaVerne, Calif.

Redlands, First Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Geo. Ott, President, 21 N. University, Redlands.

Redlands, First Lutheran (First Lutheran Women's Guild)—Mrs. Donald Spindt, President, 1010 College, Redlands.

Riverside, Trinity Lutheran (Women's Missionary Guild)—Mrs. U. A. Steffensen, President, 6017 Brockton Ave., Riverside.

Riverside, Trinity Lutheran (Nona M. Diehl Society)—Mrs. Almyra Ford, President, Box 153, Sunnymead, Calif.

San Bernardino, First Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Lee Alwardt, President, 387 29th St., San Bernardino.

San Bernardino, First Lutheran (Young Women of the Church)—Dorothy Stanley, President, 895 Ninth St., San Bernardino.

San Diego, First Lutheran (Women of the Church, Day Gr.)—Mrs. W. Briggs, President, 1214 Union St., San Diego 1.

San Diego, First Lutheran (Women of the Church, Evening Group)—Mrs. Esther Wells, 4268 Fairmount Ave., San Diego 5.

San Diego, First Lutheran (Junior Women of the Church)—Mrs. Delores Praefke, President, 1948 Julian St., San Diego.

San Diego (Ocean Beach) St. Peters By the Sea (Women's League)—Miss Eleanor S. Pinkley, President, 1659 Sunset Cliffs Blvd., San Diego, Calif.

San Diego, (Pacific Beach) Christ Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Bette Litton, President, 3305 Buena Vista, San Diego 7.

San Fernando, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)—Mrs. R. E. Gerke, President, 8939 Noble St., Sepulveda, Calif.

Santa Barbara, Grace Lutheran (Grace Women of the Church)—Mrs. Marie Jendresen, President, 821 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara.

Santa Monica, St. Paul's Lutheran (Women's Guild and Miss. Soc.)—Mrs. Roosevelt Glenn, President, 1201 Georgina, Santa Monica, Calif.

Tucson, Our Saviours Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. George Foster, President, 3725 N. Vine Ave., Tucson, Ariz.

Van Nuys, St. Andrew's Lutheran (Women of the Church)—Mrs. Jeanette Smith, President, 7530 Woodley, Van Nuys, Calif.

Westwood, Village Lutheran (Women's Guild)—Mrs. Geo. C. Ordway, President, 10729 Rochester, Los Angeles 24.

Whittier, Salem Lutheran (Women's Miss. Society)—Mrs. J. B. Froblom, President, 2213 Loch Lomond Dr., Whittier, Calif.

MINUTES OF THE

Fifty-ninth Annual Convention

OF THE

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

Theme: "WITH ONE ACCORD"

St. John's Lutheran Church,
Sacramento, California,
January 29, 1951, 8:00 p.m.

The Women's Missionary Society joined with the Synod for the service of Holy Communion which was conducted by the Rev. Paul H. Wolpert. The sermon was delivered by Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr. The administrants were: the Rev. Robert S. Romeis and the Rev. Carl V. Tambert.

FIRST SESSION

January 30, 1951, 9:00 a.m.

The convention opened with the singing of the hymn of consecration, "With One Accord." Devotions: "With One Accord We Lift Our Hearts to God," was directed by Mrs. Harry Sime.

The fifty-ninth annual convention was formally opened by our president, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz. The first report of the credential committee was given:

Voting strength—305
Pastor's Wives—23
Officers and department secretaries—16
Presidents of societies—25
Delegates—64
Visitors—54
Total present at first session—162.

The convention program was presented by Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser. Motion prevailed that the printed program become the agenda for the convention.

The following convention committees were announced:

Nominations—Mrs. P. J. Kramer, chairman; Mrs. Arthur Alm; Miss Irene Brown; Mrs. Paul Wharton; Mrs. Alma Johnson.
Registration and Credentials—Miss Helene Hjort, chairman; Mrs. W. A. Randall; Mrs. R. W. Nielsen; Mrs. P. L. Keiser.
Officers Reports—Mrs. Cyrus Johnson, chairman; Mrs. Clara A. Shafer; Mrs. Lloyd Duttera.
Executive Board Report—Mrs. Harry Sime, chairman; Mrs. H. W. Falk; Mrs. C. H. Jackson.
Department Secretary's Report—Mrs. W. G. Litton, chairman; Mrs. Leroy Wardell; Mrs. E. Favre; Mrs. William Chase.
Resolutions—Mrs. G. O. Balsley, chairman; Mrs. Emily Wizeman.
Claims—Mrs. Edward Spirer, chairman; Mrs. C. E. Engelhard; Mrs. Elfrieda Screws.
Tellers—Mrs. Betty Linton, chairman; Mrs. Scheehl; Mrs. Walter Stuhr.
Reporter (Lutheran Women's Work)—Miss Agnes Jensen.
Timekeeper—Mrs. L. A. Failing.

The convention was given a gracious and warm welcome by Mrs. M. G. Smithback of St. John's. The response was given by Mrs. Orville Lyons.

The officers and department secretaries were formally presented.

Three Missionaries attending the convention were presented: Mrs. G. H. Kohls, China; Miss Louisa Miller, India; and Miss Olive Gruen, China.

The following were presented to the convention: Mr. Oswald Steinbrenner, lay chairman of St. John's church; Mr. Zeb Tressler, executive secretary of the Layman's

Stewardship Committee of the United Lutheran Church; Mrs. Erdeman, wife of the special representative of the National Lutheran Council caring for D. P.'s of Latvia and Esthonia in the Northern Conference; and the Rev. Robert Romeis, pastor of the host church.

Reports of Officers 1950-1951:

President's report as given by Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz. Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser taking the chair moved that the report be placed in the hands of the committee on officers reports. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Harry E. Russell. The Secretary read the report of the auditor, B. L. Wahl. Motion prevailed that the auditor's report be accepted.

Vice-President's, Recording Secretary's, Statistician's, Historian's, Presidents' of Northern and Southern Conference reports were given by Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser, Mrs. Maynard Shoreen, Miss Helene Hjort, Mrs. William North, Miss Helene Hjort and Mrs. Robert Inslee, respectively. Motion prevailed that these reports be referred to the committee on officers reports.

The Rev. Dr. Arthur C. Knudten, a missionary serving on our field in Japan gave a "Report on Japan."

"The Fruit of Thankoffering" was presented by Mrs. Henry Scherer. An offering of $252.88 for Thankoffering was received and consecrated by Mrs. Scherer.

Closing collect.

SECOND SESSION

January 30, 1941, 1:30 p.m.

The session opened with the convention hymn.

Devotions "With One Accord We Accept Our Responsibility" was directed by Mrs. Warren Raymond.

The proposed budget for 1951 was presented. A motion was made and seconded that we increase our contribution to Synodical Missions to $6,000. Motion defeated. Affirmative 35, negative 58.

Motion prevailed that we adopt the budget as originally presented in the amount of $22,100 and is set up as follows:

Thankoffering	$10,000
Free Will Offering	3,000
Life Membership and in Memoriam	1,800
Patron and Protege	1,350
Deaconess	150
Rocky Boy	300
California Lutheran Home	300
Administration Expense Fund	1,200
Synodical Missions	4,000
Lutheran Welfare	.....
Designated Gifts	.....
Total	$22,100

An inspiring address, "Report from Inside the U.L.C.A." was given by the Rev. Dr. L. Ralph Tabor.

A vocal solo, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" was rendered by Mrs. J. E. Miller of St. John's, Sacramento.

Mrs. James P. Beasom, promotional secretary, presented the following new societies that were officially received into the synodical society:

Women of the Church, Norco,
Women of the Church, Globe, Arizona,
Young Women's Evening Group, Gardena,
Women of the Church, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Report of the Nominating Committee was given by Mrs. P. J. Kramer, chairman. The following were presented:

President, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz
Vice-President, Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser

Secretary, Mrs. Maynard H. Shoreen
Statistician, Miss Helene Hjort
Archivist, Mrs. William North

Motion prevailed that the Nominating Committee's report be accepted and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for the nominated officers.

Our department secretary of Synodical Missions, Mrs. William H. Blough, presented the Dr. James P. Beasom, who gave an inspiring address on "Our Missionary Responsibility."

An offering for synodical missions was received in the amount of $598.00. The offering was consecrated by Mrs. William H. Blough.

Reports were presented on the California Lutheran Home by Mrs. C. N. Alm; Lutheran Welfare by Mrs. Gercke; Camp Yolijwa by Pastor John Foerster; Midland College by Dr. Hieronymous.

The department secretary of Life and In Memoriam, Mrs. C. I. Nicholson, made a beautiful presentation of Life and In Memoriam.

Closing collect.

Tuesday evening, January 30th at 8:00 p.m., we joined with the synod in observance of "World Mission's Night." Missionary speakers were: the Rev. George Flora, Africa; the Rev. Dr. Arthur Knudten, Asia; Mrs. Albert Alsop, South America; the Rev. George Spindt, Europe.

A reception in St. John's Lutheran Church followed the evening service.

THIRD SESSION

January 31, 1951—9:30 a.m.

Convention Hymn.

Devotions, "With One Accord We Acknowledge Christ as Lord," was directed by Mrs. Orville Awerkamp.

Mrs. H. E. Russell, Treasurer, counselled with individuals from various groups throughout this session.

A "Standard of Excellency" was presented by Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser, chairman of the committee. Motion prevailed that it be adopted.

An informative address, "A Report from Argentina," was given by Mrs. Albert Alsop.

A skit "Our Department Secretaries" was presented by Mrs. C. N. Alm.

Guests from the American Lutheran Church were introduced.

The Lutheran Students Association of the National Council was presented by Miss Jean Gringle, who in turn introduced Miss Norma Arneson, field secretary of California.

Offering for Synodical Administration fund was received in the amount of $88.45. Offering was consecrated by Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz.

An hour was given for workshops, conducted as follows:

Prayer and Bible Study, Mrs. G. H. Kohls,
Mission Study, Mrs. P. J. Kramer,
Programs and Techniques, Mrs. A. L. Screws,
Presidents, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz.

Closing collect.

FOURTH SESSION

January 31, 1951—1:45 p.m.

The session opened with the singing of the convention hymn. Devotions, "With One Accord We Press On," was directed by Mrs. E. L. Miehe.

The Rev. George R. Flora addressed the convention on "Report from Liberia."

Miss Carol Stennfield, St. John's, Sacramento, rendered a lovely solo.

Credentials Committee reported a final total of 172, comprised of delegates 98, executives, officers and department secretaries 17, pastors' wives 25, and visitors 64.

Report of Convention Committees:

Committee on Officer's Report was given by Mrs. Cyrus Johnson, chairman. Motion prevailed that officer's reports be accepted and filed.

Committee on executive board's report was given by Mrs. Harry Sime, chairman. Motion prevailed that all actions and recommendations made by the board be accepted and filed.

Committee on Department Secretary's report given by Mrs. W. G. Litton ,chairman. Motion prevailed that reports be accepted and filed.

Committee on claims, given by Mrs. Edward Spirer, chairman. Motion prevailed that all bills be paid.

The report of the Resolution Committee, Mrs. Glen O. Balsey, chairman. Motion prevailed that resolutions be accepted.

The Rev. George Spindt gave a stirring address on "Bavarian Mother's Rest Service."

An offering for Bavarian Mother's Service in the amount of $185.10 was received and consecrated by the Rev. George Spindt.

The elected officers were installed by Mrs. James P. Beasom.

The president, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz, declared the fifty-ninth annual convention closed.

Missionary benediction.

MRS. MAYNARD H. SHOREEN
Recording Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To members and friends of the Women's Missionary Society of the California Synodical: It is my privilege again this year to extend my greetings and love.

As we meet in this 59th Annual Convention, many things disturb our hearts and minds. There are wars and rumors of wars, fightings within and without; things happening in our own country and throughout the world that threaten the breaking down of our civilization; but I feel very certain that we can still say, along with the Psalmist, "O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good—His mercy endureth forever." God has been merciful unto us and blessed us.

What a wonderful time it is to come together these Pre-Lenten days—looking forward to Ash Wednesday on February 7, World Day of Prayer, Friday the 9th—Theme: "Perfect Love Casts Out Fear"—Week of Prayer February 12-16—Theme: "Fruit of the Spirit" prepared by our own Sister Anna Ebert. Let us all partake of this food for the soul.

Today we are gathered in a Convention to review a year of effort under our Lord's command and to seek His guidance for the year just ahead. Here we shall renew our determination to live only for Him; here we shall open our souls that our failures and sins might be forgiven; here we shall draw new strength as we mingle in communion and fellowship with one another that our humble efforts may be multiplied.

As your President, it was my privilege to attend the Presidents' Conference in Philadelphia on October 1-2. Thirty synodical presidents were in attendance, meeting with the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society. Plans, thoughts, opinions and suggestions were shared for the purpose of helping one another and making the Women's Missionary Society the best possible force in the United Lutheran Church in America.

With grateful hearts we thank our God as we review together the activities of the past year. Our progress perhaps has not been spectacular, but we have made steady gains that show evidences of real spiritual growth as well as material growth.

We welcome five new societies. Namely, "The Women of the Church"

1. Globe
2. Young Women's Evening Group, Gardena
3. Norco
4. Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

We now number 84 societies. Our membership is 2672—a gain of 276 active members. The Northern Conference has 27 societies and the Southern California Conference, 57 societies. We have almost reached the ideal—that is a Women's Missionary Society in every church of Synod. Now, let us strive for the second ideal goal, "Every Woman a Member of the Women's Missionary Society." Let us ever seek to develop our congregational society so that it will meet the needs of **all** the women of the congregation. Our membership of 2672 represents about 20% of

the commuing women members of the churches of our Synod. May we raise this percentage this Triennium!

As we grow in **membership,** the second "ship" of the Triennium Emphasis, there must be a deepening of the Spiritual life, namely **Worship**—the first "ship" of the Triennium Emphasis and a corresponding expression of the third "ship" or **Stewardship** of self, time, and talents. While we see from our statistics that we made gains over last year in each department, yet we need to stress more the deepening of the spiritual life! Fifty-six societies reported holding public Thank Offering services—which means 66 2/3%; 58% participated in the World Day of Prayer; 40% observed the Week of Prayer; approximately 33% of our women reported using devotional material and 55% subscribe to Lutheran Woman's Work.

From these facts we can readily see that we need to give greater emphasis to **Worship.** The secret of all of our growth and progress is "Abide in Me and I in you. He that abideth in me and I in him, the same beareth much fruit; for apart from Me ye can do nothing." Only as we are willing to bend the knee in prayer and to give time daily to the study of His word, just so, in proportion as we do that, shall we be able to know His will and to discern the times. Then only shall our eyes be opened to see the needs of the world aright and shall we be willing and empowered to give our time, our talents, our very selves in the promotion of His Kingdom.

And what about our stewardship of offerings for last year? Our total contributions show a splendid increase—each budgeted item showed a gain over the previous year. Especially do we rejoice in the gain in **Life Memberships.**

The **Thank Offering** gained $330.72. This is a remarkable gain, because it is the first year's report of Thank Offering which included Christmas, Lenten and Week of Prayer and India Lace Day offerings! And now that this change is understood by all, let us increase our Thank Offering by stressing **first,** more worship; second, by observing quarterly ingatherings; third, by holding public Thank Offering services that will challenge all the women of our congregations.

Synodical Missions. While we did not reach our goal of $7,000, the offering amounted to $5,826.30, which is a splendid offering. The territory of our Synod still remains a virgin mission field, "white unto the harvest." Our largest task is bringing the unchurched into the fellowship of God—and as a missionary society let us be always interested to do our part—yes, go that second mile.

It would be impossible to enumerate the activities as your President. Many and varied have been the privileges and opportunities. It has been a busy year—a full year. I was privileged to attend both conference meetings and to visit many congregational societies. I have tried to help and encourage new societies and to observe the growth of them has been most gratifying. I have represented you at many missionary, church, student, and inter-church meetings.

There has not only been a president at work in our Synodical, but an Executive Board composed of officers and department secretaries and standing committees, which have never failed to measure up to their responsibility. Each officer and secretary has given fully of her time and energy in service and deserves thanks and praise. They have done an outstanding work. To each, your President wishes to express her appreciation and gratefulness. And to the host of others who have all faithfully performed their duties and to our pastors and officials of Synod—a "thank you!"

You have all been very patient and sympathetic and understanding and most cooperative. My only regret is that I could not do more, that there was not sufficient time nor physical strength to give to the many things that needed to be done and which I desired to do.

For such as may have been accomplished this past year as an Executive Board (your chosen leaders) we give all the credit to our blessed Lord.

In conclusion, but at the beginning of this convention, may the theme chosen for our meditation and through these hours together—that is "With One Accord" direct us to "lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God."

With one accord we join Thy faithful throng;
With one accord we pledge allegiance strong
With one accord, O Saviour, Lord, we bow;
With one accord take us and use us now. Amen.

MRS. ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ, President

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

December 15, 1949 to December 31, 1950

Balance on hand December 15, 1949		$ 7,985.00
Receipts:		
Thank Offering	$ 8,545.33	
Free Will Offering	2,992.03	
Life Membership and In Memoriam	2,375.00	
Patron and Protege	1,425.57	
Deaconess	88.51	
Special Aids	123.57	
Rocky Boy	249.28	
California Lutheran Home	359.18	
Lutheran Welfare	15.00	
Designated Gifts	1,035.00	
Administrative Expense Fund	793.53	
Synodical Missions	5,826.30	
		23,828.30
Total		$ 31,813.30
Disbursements:		
To National Treasurer	$22,734.68	
Patricia Rae Chapin	25.00	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Tran. in Memoriam. Mrs. Hjort and Mrs. Ball	30.00	
Departmental Secretaries' Expense	98.91	
Board meeting Expense	158.31	
Officers' Expense	142.27	
Printing and Stationery	181.13	
Convention Expense	133.73	
California Lutheran Home—Station Wagon	330.68	
California Lutheran Home—Infirmary	28.50	
Lutheran Welfare	15.00	
Synodical Missions	6,000.00	
		29,883.21
Balance on hand December 31, 1950		$ 1,930.09
Balance on hand as follows:		
Patron and Protege	25.00	
Deaconess	205.66	
Administrative Expense Fund	1,206.54	
Synodical Missions	492.89	
		1,930.09

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. E. Russell,
Treasurer

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The printed program for the 1951 convention of the W. M. S. of the Synod of California represents the work of your vice-president who has served as program chairman.

Alice B. Crouser

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

I was present at the meetings of your Executive Committee and have kept accurate minutes of the proceedings of each meeting. These minutes can be read in the report of the Executive Committee. Seven hundred copies of the 1950 minutes were printed and distributed. I compiled the proceedings of the 1950 convention which was approved by our President before the minutes were printed. Correspondence was answered promptly and all duties of the recording secretary have been performed to the best of my ability.

Mrs. Maynard H. Shoreen

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Glendale, Calif., January 27, 1951

This is to certify that I have checked the books and records of the Treasurer of the Women's Missionary Society of the California Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America and found them in balance.

Deposits of $23,828.30 were checked into the bank records. Disbursements of $29,883.21 were verified with the vouchers and supported by cancelled checks.

The balance on hand December 31, 1950, was correctly stated as $1,930.09.

B. L. Wahl, Accountant

ARCHIVIST'S REPORT

The Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of California have a cabinet at First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, in which are filed all synodical minutes and programs and a complete file of Lutheran Women's Work, our official magazine.

Mrs. William North

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICER'S REPORTS

The Committee on Officer's Reports met, reviewed the reports and recommends that the officers be commended for their splendid work and that the reports be accepted and received.

Mrs. Cyrus E. Johnson, chairman
Mrs. Clara A. Shafer
Mrs. Lloyd Duttera

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES REPORTS

This committee, after studying the reports of the department secretaries wishes to recognize the addition of the deaconess and prayer secretaries and also to recognize the following growths in the various departments:

1. A $600.00 increase over last year in the Life Membership department.
2. An increase of 6 scholarships and $227.00 in the Patron and Protege Department.
3. An increase of $1,470.42 in the Thank Offering Department.

And we wish to express our thanks and gratitude to the various secretaries for their inspirational and untiring efforts.

Mrs. W. G. Litton, chairman
Mrs. Le Roy Wardell
Mrs. E. Favre
Mrs. William Chase

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Executive Board at the home of the President, December 4, 1950.

ACTIONS TAKEN

That we send $250.00 to the Mother Service.

That the Convention offerings in 1951 be designated as follows: 1. Thank Offering: 2. Synodical Missions: 3. Synodical Administration Fund; 4. Mother Service.

That we send $25.00 as a Christmas gift to our California Deaconess in training.

That a delegate from each congregational society counsel with the Synodical Treasurer during the Convention.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we pledge anew our loyal support to U.L.C.A. through the California Synod.

2. That we give thanks to God for the increasing interest in the W.M.S. as is now expressed in the largest membership on record and that we continue to strive for a society in every congregation.

3. That the Conference first vice-presidents be named chairmen of the evening groups and that an evening Conference be held at least once annually.

4. That the President's Hand Book be filed annually. Suggestion is made that each Synodical, Conference, and congregational officer and department secretary keep a hand book (records, files, listings, etc.) and this to be passed on to her successor.

5. That our Synodical Society look forward to supporting a missionary.

6. That we strive or aim to interest young women in our congregational societies in the work of W.M.S.

7. That a continued study be made for a summer school of missions.

8. That our W.M.S. sponsor a book shower for the library of the proposed seminary in Berkeley.

9. That the proposed budget to be presented by the Treasurer be adopted.

10. That we look forward to our 60th anniversary in 1952.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

June meeting of the Executive Board of the W. M. S. California Synod was held in the home of the President, June 13, 1950. The following were present: Schwertz, Crouser, Beasom, Russell, Hjort, Inslee, North and Shoreen.

ACTIONS TAKEN

1. To have again clinics at the next convention including Bible Study.
2. The Synodical Missions Projects should be presented at the convention through visual aid.
3. That Life Membership and In Memoriam be in the hands of the secretary by December 15.
4. That all general letters sent out by the officers and secretaries be approved by the President.

Appointments made: Life and In Memoriam, Mrs. Elva Nicholson; Synodical Missions, Mrs. William Blough; Deaconess, Mrs. J. P. Sandretto.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE BOARD'S REPORT

1. In reporting your committee wishes to express their appreciation to the executive board for its efficient planning of the general work of the synodical convention.
2. We recommend that the action of the Executive Board in appointing Departmental Secretaries be approved.
3. We recommend the approval of the actions of the Executive board at their meeting in June as follows:
   a. To have clinics at the next convention including Bible Study.
   b. That the Synodical Missions projects should be presented at the convention through visual aid.
   c. That Life Membership and In Memoriam be in the hands of the secretary not later than December 15th.

d. That all general letters sent out by officers and secretaries be approved by the president.

4. We recommend the approval of the action taken by the Executive Board in the meeting in December in items 1, 2, 3, and 4.

5. We recommend the approval of the recommendations of the Executive Board made at the December meeting, such recommendations being represented by items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 (item 9 referring to the Treasurer's report has been adopted).

We, the committee, recommend the adoption of this report.

MRS. HARRY SIME, Chairman
MRS. H. W. FALK
MRS. C. H. JACKSON

1950 CONVENTION SHOWER FOR SYNODICAL MISSIONS

Alhambra—Grace	$ 140.00
Alhambra—Our Saviour's	10.00
Alhambra—Cal. Luth. Home	15.00
Altadena Lutheran	10.00
Beverly Hills Lutheran	170.00
Burbank—Luther Memorial	33.00
Culver City—Grace	61.25
El Monte—Redeemer	24.00
Fresno—First	118.00
Gardena—St. John's	42.00
Glendale—First	222.67
Hollywood Lutheran	300.00
Huntington Park—St. Luke's	50.00
Inglewood—Holy Trinity	39.00
La Canada—Foothills	16.00
Las Vegas—Reformation	46.00
Long Beach—Faith	56.00
Long Beach—Lakewood	10.00
Long Beach—Trinity	335.01
Los Angeles—Advent	201.50
Los Angeles—First	442.00
Los Angeles—St. Mark's	75.00
Los Angeles—St. Paul's	20.00
Los Angeles—Transfiguration	10.00
No. Hollywood—St. Matthew's	200.00
Oakland—First	150.00
Oakland—St. John's	41.00
Pasadena—Trinity	110.00
Phoenix—Faith	25.00
Pomona—Trinity	20.00
Redlands—First	5.00
Reno—Good Shepherd	40.00
Richmond—Grace	77.00
Riverside—Trinity	115.00
Sacramento—First	122.00
Sacramento—St. John's	81.00
Sacramento—St. Paul's	15.00
San Bernardino—First	43.00
San Diego—First	140.50
San Diego—St. Peter's	40.00
San Francisco—St. Mark's	20.00
San Francisco—St. Matthew's	40.00
San Francisco—Temple	10.00
San Jose—Grace	90.00
San Mateo—St. Andrew's	30.00
Santa Barbara—Grace	75.00
Santa Monica—St. Paul's	100.00
Tucson—Our Saviour's	25.00
Westwood Village	5.00
West Whittier—Salem	56.00
	$4,121.93

SYNODICAL MISSIONS—DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1950

St. James—Richmond, Calif.	$ 700.00
Epiphany—San Leandro, Calif	500.00
Trinity—Pomona, Calif.	500.00
La Canada—Foothills, Calif.	500.00
St. Paul's—Sacramento	500.00
Fresno (North)	200.00
Bethany—Norco, Calif.	100.00
Messiah—Redwood City, Calif.	300.00
San Jose—Kaiser	100.00
Santa Ana, Calif.	100.00
Transfiguration, Los Angeles	100.00
Lakewood, Long Beach	200.00
Calvary—Azusa	300.00
St. Paul's—Globe, Ariz.	150.00
Mt. Zion—Yreka	250.00
Las Vegas—Reformation	1,000.00
Synodical Mission Development	500.00
Total	$6,000.00

STATISTICIANS REPORT FOR 1950

	Northern Conference	Southern Conference	TOTAL
Membership 1949	700	1697	2397
Membership 1950	809	1864	2673
NET GAIN	109	167	276

	Societies	Members
Northern Conference	27	809
Southern Conference	57	1864
TOTAL	84	2673

Northern Conference has a net gain of one society. Because the convention was late last year a society organized in January, 1950, was listed so it shows as a new society both years on the printed report. Richmond, Grace Lutheran, which formerly reported two societies, has now combined their societies and have one Women of the Church Group. The new societies are Women of the Church, St. Paul's, Fresno, Gamma Chi (evening Group) of Temple Lutheran, San Francisco and Women of the Church from the Lutheran Church of Pearl Harbor.

Southern Conference shows no net gain. There are three new societies, a very brand new society at Globe, Ariz., organized in November. Also Women of the Church, St. Andrew's Lutheran, Van Nuys, and a new evening group of the Women of the Church at St. John's, Gardena. The Dorcas Society at St. Paul's, Santa Monica, is no longer a Missionary Society. The two societies at St. Luke's Huntington Park are now one group with two circles and the women at First Church, Glendale, have reorganized their societies into one instead of two societies and they meet in smaller circles.

Respectfully submitted,
HELENE HJORT, Statistician

A REPORT ON NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Conference meetings are always as inspirational as the speakers and the audience. This year's conference in Vallejo October 3rd and 4th was an exceptionally fine one. Our theme "Working and Witnessing For Christ," fit in well with a workshop program throughout.

The Vallejo women were outstanding hostesses. They arranged for lodging in their homes, transportation while in the city and the best opportunities to get acquainted with other Missionary women we've had in a long, long time. One hundred ninety-four registered during the Conference and attended all or some of the sessions.

The officers elected for the year were President, Miss Helene Hjort; Vice President, Mrs. Glen O. Balsley; Secretary, Mrs. Ross Hidy; Treasurer, Mrs. Carl H. Moyer, and Archivist, Mrs. C. H. Jackson. Fresno is the next Conference hostess.

Respectfully submitted,
HELENE HJORT, Pres., North. Conference

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Mrs. Robert Inslee, President

"We Must Serve—NOW" was the theme of the 44th Annual Southern Conference meeting held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Inglewood, on September 19, 1950. Coffee was served to the members as they assembled early in the morning and the beautiful patio was the scene of a typically outdoor California luncheon.

In recognition of the fact that the majority of the Societies now meet at night, a resolution was passed to hold an evening conference meeting once a year. The First Vice President has been named as Chairman of the evening groups.

Many of our members served on the Staff and as Councillors at Camp Yolijwa this summer.

A most successful workshop for Presidents and Treasurers was held and almost every society from Santa Barbara to San Diego was represented.

OFFICERS—1950-51

President.....Mrs. Henry Scherer
First Vice President.....Mrs. Chas. P. Smith
Second Vice President.....Mrs. O. Lyon
Secretary.....Mrs. H. Bustrum
Treasurer.....Mrs. M. Woodworth
Historian.....Mrs. R. E. Gerke

EDUCATION DIVISION

Mrs. Gladys Smithback, Literature Department

Literature sold at Northern Conference at Vallejo, Oct. 3-4.....$43.50
Literature sold at Southern Conference at Inglewood Sept. 19.....$38.49

MISSION STUDY

Mrs. E. Dale Click

Enthusiasm and interest are growing for Mission Study, for we are realizing how the Mission Study program can be a blessing to individuals and to societies through intelligent planning and effective presentation.

"Helps" were mailed to each society in the fall—an outline on "Where Mission Study stands in our program and how to use it," plus a letter. A Mission Study Workshop was held at the Northern Conference convention. The themes for 1950-51 are extremely vital at this crucial time—"The Near East" and "Toward a Christian Community." Besides the basic reading of the study books, **Lutheran Woman's Work** gives articles of interest and also additional literature available on order.

God has blessed us each one beyond our minds to comprehend. As one means of gratitude, let us be interested and be informed about His world through the avenue of Mission Study.

MAGAZINE "LUTHERAN WOMAN'S WORK"

	Societies	Magazine Subscriptions
Northern Conference	24	340
Southern Conference	51	1183
	75	1523

MRS. ELDAN R. MILLER,
(Magazine Secretary)

SPECIAL GIFTS DIVISION

Societies of the California Synod were asked by the National Special Aids Department to send religious and educational supplies to Japan and clothing, articles for gifts and quilt materials to Rocky Boy Indian Mission as special projects for 1950. The work in India and New Guinea was remembered with boxes of supplies and money sent to these mission fields. A number of societies sent boxes to Europe and other fields of world relief, and many cooperated with their local church congregations in helping Lutheran World Action. Local needs, including the work of the Lutheran Welfare Council, activities among migrant workers, and aid to needy families received attention from various groups.

Eighty-four societies (27 No. Conference and 57 So. Conference) report the following:

No. boxes to World Missions..... 212
No. boxes to No. American Missions..... 106
No. boxes for Local Relief..... 46
Money sent for Special Aids.....$123.57
Money sent for Rocky Boy..... 249.28

December 31, 1950

MRS. ROY S. PETERSON,
Secretary, Special Aids

REPORT OF THE LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND IN MEMORIAM DEPARTMENT—1950

Life Memberships received during Synodical year	163
Honorary Life Memberships received during Synodical year	32
Total Life Memberships received	195
Life Memberships on Synodical Roll	1699
Honorary Life Memberships on Synodical Roll	386
Total Life Memberships on Synodical Roll	2085
Transferrals Received During Synodical year	15
In Memoriams received during the Synodical year	8
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams received	23
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams on Synodical Roll	289
Total Income for the year 1950 for this Department	$2375.00

PATRON AND PROTEGE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

Through this department individual sponsors and women's groups of the California Synodical support ten (10) native workers and twenty-one (21) scholarships.

Total cash receipts:

Native workers	$ 590.00
Scholarships	756.00
Miscellaneous	152.50
	$1498.50

Noting an increase of 6 scholarships and $227.00 in cash over 1949.

It is my earnest wish and prayer that every women's group in the Synodical will be represented in the Patron and Protege Department for 1951.

Sincerely in His service,

Mrs. Sophie Roloff

THANK OFFERING

The women of the California Synod are very quick to grasp new ideas, especially when the ideas mean the furthering of God's Kingdom.

In 1950 the Thank Offering amounted to $8545.33.

Out of 86 societies:

56 have had a public ingathering
46 quarterly ingathering
49 Increased Thank Offering

Remember always that daily gift and daily prayer that all the world our Christ may share.

Mrs. Henry Scherer,
Thank Offering Secretary

TRIENNIAL EMPHASIS

Mrs. Robert Inslee

WORSHIP — MEMBERSHIP — STEWARDSHIP. The three-fold emphasis of the W.M.S. has been incorporated into all phases of the work of the chairmen and officers for the year. The tangible results of this committee are reflected in the reports of the other officers as we show an increase in all departments of our work.

Many societies have been in the process of reorganizing as Women of the Church. A considerable number of meetings were attended to assist in this program of unifying the work of the organizations.

A letter was mailed to all those who attended the last Synodical Convention to remind them of the things they might do as individuals to become ACTIVE in the W - M - S Emphasis.

As Triennial Emphasis Chairman, I have spoken at four Societies since last April.

PROMOTION DIVISION

Mrs. J. P. Beasom

Your secretary has made many addresses, written letters, and attended several conferences and meetings in connection with this office. The promotional literature has been sent to prospective groups and instruction has been given in the organization of missionary societies. The new mission fields have been visited, and during the past year four new societies came into being.

REPORT OF THE STUDENT CENSUS SECRETARY

Mrs. C. A. Miley

As we come to the close of 1950 in the report of the student census we again find that 14 congregations did not report at all, 11 congregations reported "no students," and 47 reported "students," totalling 380 men and women in our schools of higher learning. You would find these young people attending 12 Lutheran institutions and 81 non-Lutheran institutions over our United States.

Twenty-nine young men are either in our Seminaries or are taking preparatory college work for their life work in the ministry. Of the young women, we have 1 preparing for the diaconate, 1 a missionary, 3 Church social welfare and 14 nursing. This is a very small birdseye view of the vocations entered by our students.

But the one fine thing which I experienced this year was the many fine cards and letters from student counsellors and pastors expressing their sincere appreciation for our interest in our students by forwarding to them the information from the student census blanks enabling them to better follow through with their ministry to these students. The student census should be one means of enabling the local pastor and congregation to be reminded of their students and to keep in better contact with them.

PRAYER PROGRAM

Mrs. E. A. Vosseler, Chairman

Your prayer chairman sent out two synodical letters and one card relating to this newly created department of our missionary work here in California.

We urge the use of the prayer page, "Lord, Teach Us To Pray" found in Lutheran Woman's Work, in conjunction with our missionary meetings. We hope that you have been using the devotional booklet by Dr. Werner during this Epiphany season and are planning for the observance of the World Day of Prayer and Week of Prayer. We know that as we pray together daily for certain definite objectives, great spiritual power is unleashed and we are bound together with invisible cords of love in Christ Jesus.

Our prayer calendar was enclosed with Christmas greetings to our U.L.C.A. president. Following is an excerpt from a letter received from Dr. Fry: " . . . Going beyond my strength as I do all the time in body and in spirit, I rely absolutely upon the grace of God and the intercessions of my fellow-Christians. Many an effectual, fervent prayer has held me up, — thousands of them, I am sure from California! God bless you abundantly, all of you!"

DEACONESS SECRETARY REPORT

Mrs. J. P. Sandreeto

Since my appointment as Deaconess' Secretary, I had an opportunity to get before the societies the materials provided by the Educational Division in Philadelphia. At Vallejo, during the Northern Conference sessions, a display of available materials was passed out to the societies. They have no doubt used the literature in local groups.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, with deep humility we acknowledge the manifold blessings of God which have been showered upon us during this past year—for the deepening of our spiritual lives through increased WORSHIP, for the growth in MEMBERSHIP, and for the splendid increase in our giving as reflected by our Christian STEWARDSHIP—with one accord we lift our hearts to God in thankfulness.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we express our most sincere thanks to the St. John's Lutheran Church—to Pastor and Mrs. Robert Romeis, the members of the Mary E. Oehler and Dorcas Societies and other members of the congregation—for their most gracious arrangements and hospitality throughout the entire period of this convention.
2. That we express our sincere appreciation to our president, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz for her outstanding leadership and that we pledge our hearty support and cooperation to her during the coming year.
3. That thanks be given to all other officers, department secretaries, and special committee members for their faithful, loyal service during the past year.
4. That we thank the Rev. Dr. L. Ralph Tabor, the Rev. Dr. Arthur C. Knudten, the Rev. George Flora, Mrs. Albert Alsop, the Rev. George Spindt and all others who have brought us such inspirational and challenging messages during this convention.
5. That a special thanks be given to Dr. and Mrs. Beasom for their constant help, encouragement and patient understanding which is as a shining beacon challenging each of us toward higher goals.
6. That we recognize the presence at this convention of three women missionaries who have given many, many years of faithful service in foreign lands—Miss Louisa Miller, Mrs. George Kohls and Olive Gruen.
7. That we express our appreciation to the program committee for the very splendid program that they have arranged. That we especially would commend them for the interesting workshop groups and the presence on the program of so many of our outstanding missionaries.
8. That a plan of united action through prayer be adopted. That we pray without ceasing to God that He might direct and guide the leaders of all nations and of the United Nations that ways might be found that a just and durable peace may be reached soon.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee on Resolutions:
MRS. GLEN O. BALSLEY
MRS. EMILY WIZEMAN

PROPOSED STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY OF THE W.M.S. OF CALIF. SYNOD

WORSHIP:

1. Stress on Worship (a) Private, (b) Family, (c) Corporate.
2. Formal acceptance and prayer of dedication of free will offerings and Thank Offerings.
3. Observance of Lenten Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. World day of prayer
4. Public Thank Offering Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP:

5. Increase in Membership.
6. Representation at Synodical Convention.
7. Visitation of non-members and prospective members.

STEWARDSHIP:

8. A reasonable contribution made to each item of Synodical budget.
9. Statistical report returned by January 3rd.
10. Reports from all local Department Secretaries sent to Synodical Secretaries by designated date.
11. Increase in (a) free will offerings, (b) Thank Offerings, (c) gifts in general.
12. Quarterly ingathering of T. O.

GENERAL:

13. Measure up to goals of all departments:
    One Life Membership on In Memoriam each year.
    Fifty per cent subscribing to and reading Lutheran Woman's Work.
    A Mission Study Class: 20 per cent membership on reading Course Honor Roll.
    Contribution made to Patron and Protege Department.
    At least one box sent for Special Aid.
    Contribution made to Synodical Missions.
    Any ten points met—a STANDARD SOCIETY.
    All 13 points—HONOR ROLL.

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	NORTHERN CONFERENCE																			
1	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Wm. of Ch.)	1		40		2		40			1	25		1	4	1	51	1		1
2	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Scheehl Kr. Gr.)	1		15	5	3		15						1	5	1		1		2
3	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	1		39		1		39						1	1		12			3
4	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	1		40	11			20	20								9	1	1	4
5	Fresno, St. Pauls (Wm. of Ch.)		1	7				7									9			5
6	Honolulu, Honolulu Luth. Ladies' Guild)	1		34				28	6					1	1	1	11		1	6
7	Lihue, Lutheran Church of Lihue																			7
8	Oakland, First (Wm. of Ch.)	1		50	10			40	10					1	4	1	50	1		8
9	Oakland, St. Johns (W. M. S.)	1		13	3	2		13						1	1	1	10	1		9
10	Pearl Harbor (Wm. of Ch.)		1																	10
11	Project City, St. James (Wm. of Ch.)	1		8				8										1		11
12	Reno, Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Cir.)	1		25		4		20	5											12
13	Richmond, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	1		55	10	8		55									28			13
14	Richmond, St. James (Wm. of Ch.)	1		18	3			16	2								18	1	1	14
15	Sacramento, First (Wm. of Ch.)	1		43		3		40	3					1	1		20	1		15
16	Sacramento, St. Johns (Dorcas Soc.)	1		44	2	2		29	15											16
17	Sacramento, St. Johns (Mary E. Oehler Soc.)	1		26		7		26									19	1		17
18	Sacramento, St. Pauls (Miss. Guild)	1		25		10		25												18
19	San Francisco, First (Womens Guild)	1		12				12									4			19
20	San Francisco, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	1		36				12	24					1	1		6			20
21	San Francisco, St. Matthews (W. M. S.)	1		15		2		15		1	1	10	10	1	2		2			21
22	San Francisco, Temple (Wm. of Ch.)	1		20		2		20		1	3	20					5	1		22
23	San Francisco, Temple (Gamma Chi Eve. Cir.)		1	12	6	12	1	11			3	12								23
24	San Jose, Grace (Miss. Wm. of Ch.)	1		47	1	3		40	7		2	25		1	4	1	25	1		24
25	San Leandro Epiphany (Wm. of Ch.)	1		84	17	11		84									10			25
26	San Mateo, St. Andrews (Wm. of St. Andrews)	1		25		7		25			2						8			26
27	Vallejo, St. Paul's St. Paul's Guild)	1		61	13	7		50	11				2	1	5	1	32	1		27
28	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Wm. of Ch.)	1		15	4		1	14									20	1		28
	TOTAL	24	3	809	85	86	2	704	103	2	12	92	12	11	29	7	349	13	3	
	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2																			
29	Alhambra, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	1		30		5		30						1	5		12		1	29
30	Alhambra, Grace (Chr. Life Circle)	1		22	2	3		19	3	1		15		1	4		8			30
31	Alhambra, C. L. H. (Louisa Miller Soc.)	1		20				20						1			3	1		31
32	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Wm. of Ch.)	1		20	2	6		19	1								15	1		32
33	Altadena, Altadena Lutheran (Wm. of Ch.)	1		30	4	4		20	10		1	20	4	1	1	1	4	1		33
34	Beverly Hills, Lutheran (Wm. of Ch.)	1		30	5	3		30						1	1		25			34
35	Burbank, Luther Mem. (Dorcas Soc.)	1		30	3			15	15		2	20		1	1	1	9			35
36	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	1		28		4		28			1	12					20			36
37	El Monte, Redeemer (Wm. of Ch.)	1		10	4			10									10	1		37
38	Gardena, St. Johns (Wm. of Ch.)	1		18		3		18			1	18		1	5	1	11			38
39	Gardena, Sr. Johns (Wm. of Ch. —Eve)		1	11		11		7	4											39
40	Glendale, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day & Eve.)	1		188	9	69		159	29		2	75		1	5	1	131	1		40
41	Globe, Ariz., Mission Church		1																	41
42	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	1		65				65						1	3	1	40	1		42
43	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (F. M. Welty Soc.)	1		34		4			34					1	3	1	30			43

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Northern Conference for the year Ending Dec. 31, 1950—Table 1

	World Day of Prayer	Program Material	PROMOTION DIVISION					DIVISION OF SPECIAL GIFTS													Women Students from Cong.			
			Unified Plan	Outreach to Non-Members			Volunteer Service	Thank Offering				Patron & Protege			Life Membership and "In Memoriam"			Special Arts						
No. of Society	No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	No. Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	No. Societies Attended by Non-Members	No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	No. Members Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	No. Public Thank Offering Services	No. Societies Participating in a joint Public T. O. Service	No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	No. Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships	No. Old People, Orphans and Babies Supported	No. Life Members Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. In Memoriam Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. Transferals Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	No. Boxes Sent World Missions	No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Nurses in Training	No. of Society
NORTHERN CONFERENCE																								
1	1	25	1	1	1	1	30	1	1	1								2		2				1
2						1		1	1		1													2
3	1	10	1		1	1												1	1	1				3
4		10	1		1													1	5					4
5			1	1																				5
6	1	10	1	1	1	1	2	1											11	8				6
7																								7
8	1	25	1	1	1	1	10	1	1	1								1	13					8
9	1	5						1		1	1							2	10					9
10																								10
11			1	1	1			1																11
12	1				1	1	25	1		1	1							2						12
13	1				1	1	1	1	1	1	1							1	11	7				13
14	1	3	1		1	1	1		1	1	1													14
15	1	40	1		1	1	10	1		1	1							1	3					15
16	1								1									1						16
17	1			1	1	1	7		1	1	1							1						17
18		15			1	1		1			1									2				18
19		12	1		1		2	1			1								1					19
20	1	20	1	1	1	1		1										1						20
21				1	1		3	1	1		1								4					21
22	1	6		1	1	1	2				1								7					22
23		3		1	1	1												4						23
24	1	47		1	1	1	1	1		1	1							1	2					24
25																		4						25
26	1							1			1							1						26
27	1	53	1	1	1	1	5	1										2	6					27
28		10	1	1	1			1		1	1							5						28
	16	294	13	13	20	16	99	17	8	10	14							31	74	20				
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2																								
29	1			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							1		1				29
30					1		3		1	1	1													30
31	1							1		1								3	16					31
32	1				1	1	4	1		1	1							2	4					32
33	1		1	1	1	1		1			1													33
34	1	30		1	1	1		1		1	1													34
35	1	20		1	1	1	8				1							3	1					35
36	1				1	1	15	1		1	1							1	1					36
37	1	10			1	1		1		1	1							1						37
38	1		1		1	1		1	1	1	1								1					38
39																								39

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	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																			
44	Huntington Park, St. Lukes (Wm. of Ch.)	1		50				50									30	1	1	44
45	Inglewood, Holy Trinity (Dorcas)	1		67		51		67			1	52		1	2		31			45
46	La Canada, Evangelical Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	1		15				15									12			46
47	Las Vegas, Reformation (Wm. of Ch.)	1		20	5	2		17	3					1	1					47
48	Long Beach, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	1		16				13	3								10	1		48
49	Long Beach, Lakewood, Eve. (Wm. of Ch.)	1		21	5	5		16	5		1	7					20	1		49
50	Long Beach, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	1		132	18	7	1	97	34		1	31	3	1	5	1	132	1		50
51	Los Angeles, Advent (Wm. of Ch.)	1		38		5		38		1	1			1	3	1	42			51
52	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas Soc.)	1		17		3		5	12								10	1		52
53	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	1		14	12	2		17	12		1	20					5	1		53
54	Los Angeles, Bethany (Wm. of Ch.)																			54
55	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day)	1		7		2		7		1	1			1	3	1	6	1		55
56	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Eve.)	1		80		10		80									85			56
57	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	1		25				1	24											57
58	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts Soc.)	1		25	1	1		25									15			58
59	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)	1		12	2			7	5								8	1		59
60	Monterey Park, St. Pauls (W.M.S. of St. Pauls)	1		13		2		13						1	1		13		1	60
61	Monterey Park, St. Pauls (Yowomis Soc.)	1		22	14	1		19	3											61
62	Norco, Bethany, Wom. of Ch.		1																	62
63	North Hollywood, St. Matthews (Mena Spirer Soc.)	1		25		2		25									25			63
64	North Hollywood, St. Matthews (Faith Soc.)	1		20				14	6								20			64
65	Pasadena, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	1		60			6	32	22					1	1	1	75	1		65
66	Phoenix, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	1		25				25									36		1	66
67	Phoenix, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	1		60	10			60		1	1						22	1		67
68	Pomona, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	1		20	4	5		20									17			68
69	Redlands, First (Wm. of Ch.)	1		22		3		22						1	1	1	10	1		69
70	Redlands, First (F. L. Wms. Guild)	1		19		5		15	4											70
71	Riverside, Trinity (W. Miss. Guild)	1		20				20									8			71
72	Riverside, Trinity (Nona Diehl Soc.)	1		23	8	4		11	12					1	1		11	1		72
73	San Bernardino, First (Wm. of Ch.)	1		40	1	3		40			1	6		1	1	1	19	1		73
74	San Bernardino, First (Y. Wm. of Ch.)	1		20		5	20													74
75	San Diego, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day)	1		26		3		26		1		16		1	3	1	18	1		75
76	San Diego, First (Wm. of Ch.- Eve.)	1		16		3		5	12					1	1	1	11	1	1	76
77	San Diego, First (Jr. Wm. of Ch.)	1		10	9			9	1					1	3	1	10	1		77
78	San Diego, St. Peters (Women's League)	1		24	9	6		24									28	1	1	78
79	San Diego, Christ (Wm. of Ch.)	1		45		3		45									10			79
80	Santa Barbara, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	1		45	4			40	5								8			80
81	San Fernando, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	1		27	21	5		27									20			81
82	Santa Monica, St. Pauls (Guild & Miss. Soc.)	1		74		11		70	4		2	80					32	1		82
83	Tucson, Our Saviours (Wm. of Ch.)	1		30	1	3		30										1		83
84	Van Nuys, St. Andrews (Wm. of Ch.)		1	20		20		19	1								18	1	1	84
85	Westwood Village, Village Luth. (Miss. Guild)	1		25				25												85
86	West Whittier, Salem (Wm. of Ch.)	1		20	2	2		20									13	1	1	86
	TOTAL SOUTHERN CONFERENCE	54	4	1863	160	278	17	1567	269	5	17	381	7	23	54	15	1151	27	8	
	GRAND TOTAL BOTH CONFERENCES	78	7	2672	242	364	29	2271	372	7	29	464	19	34	83	22	1500	39	11	

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1950—Table 2—Cont'd.

No. of Society	World Day of Prayer: No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	Program Material: No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	Promotion Division: Unified Plan: No. Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Attended by Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	Volunteer Service: No. Members Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	Division of Special Gifts: Thank Offering: No. Public Thank Offering Services	Thank Offering: No. Societies Participating in a joint Public T. O. Service	Thank Offering: No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	Thank Offering: No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	Patron & Protege: No. Native Workers Supported	Patron & Protege: No. Scholarships	Patron & Protege: No. Old People, Orphans and Babies Supported	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Life Members Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. In Memoriam Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Transferals Since Jun. 30, 1949	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent World Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	Women Students from Cong.: In Lutheran Institutions	Women Students from Cong.: In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Women Students from Cong.: Nurses in Training	No. of Society
								SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																
44	1		1	1	1	1		1	1		1													44
45	1	30	1	1	1	1	45	1		1	1							14	1	1				45
46																								46
47		10			1	1																		47
48			1		1	1		1		1	1							2						48
49		12	1	1	1	1	5	1		1	1							1	2	1				49
50	1	47	1	1	1	1	11	1		1	1							1	8	1				50
51	1	19	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	1							3	41	7				51
52					1			1	1	1	1							1	1					52
53		11	1		1				1	1	1								3	2				53
54																								54
55																								55
56		25		1	1	1	40	1	1	1	1							5	3					56
57	1	50		1	1	1		1	1									1	5					57
58			1		1	1		1	1	1								1		1				58
59	1			1	1		2			1	1									1				59
60	1	13			1			1	1	1	1							1						60
61					1	1			1										1	1				61
62																								62
63	1			1	1				1	1								2						63
64					1			1	1	1									5					64
65	1	40	1		1	1	20	1	1	1	1							5	7					65
66	1				1	1		1	1		1							1		2				66
67	1	37	1	1	1	1	60	1											10					67
68			1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1							1	1					68
69	1	22	1	1	1	1		1	1	1								2	2					69
70					1			1	1	1	1													70
71	1							1											2					71
72		23			1			1	1	1	1							1						72
73	1		1	1	1		5	1	1		1							1		1				73
74					1	1		1	1															74
75	1	17	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1							2	2	1				75
76				1	1				1	1	1													76
77	1			1	1	1		1	1	1	1								1					77
78	1	24			1	1				1								1		3				78
79	1	45						1	1	1	1								2					79
80				1	1	1		1	1	1	1							3	10					80
81					1	1		1		1	1							1	1					81
82	1		1		1	1	5	1			1							3						82
83	1	30		1	1			1	1	1	1							1	6	1				83
84				1	1	1		1			1							6						84
85																								85
86	1		1		1	1	1	1			1													86
	32	703	30	25	48	36	295	42	22	37	37							75	138	26				

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emphasis	Free Will	Life Membership In Memoriams	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran Home	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administrative Expense Fund	Synodical Missions	TOTALS	No. of Society
1	Alhambra, Grace (Women of the Church)	133.60	41.90	20.00										195.50	1
2	Alhambra, Grace (Christian Life Circle)	82.30	45.15	30.00										157.45	2
3	Alhambra, Calif. Luth. Home (Louisa Miller Soc.)	101.11												101.11	3
4	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	91.14	30.87	30.00								5.28		157.29	4
5	Altadena, Lutheran (Women of the Church)		8.40											8.40	5
6	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Women of the Church)	60.20	62.00	85.00	10.00			10.00				15.00	61.00	303.20	6
7	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Scheehl-Kramer Grp.)	71.07	16.50											87.57	7
8	Beverly Hills (Women of the Church)	97.22	28.00	25.00								21.50	30.00	201.72	8
9	Burbank, Luther Memorial (Dorcas)	30.00	26.60									2.20		58.80	9
10	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	43.54	30.60									10.95	13.75	98.84	10
11	El Monte, Redeemer (Women of the Church)	25.15	7.00	10.00								2.00		44.15	11
12	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	164.07	37.40	20.00		1.00						32.70	17.00	272.17	12
13	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	84.90	49.61	10.00		1.51		2.00				11.48	36.11	195.61	13
14	Gardena St. John's (Women of the Church—Day)	38.47	18.50	20.00		5.00						5.84		87.81	14
15	Glendale, First (W. of the Ch. —Day and Eve.)	600.12	180.00	185.00	220.00	20.00						48.00	145.00	1398.12	15
16	Hollywood, Lutheran (Women of the Church)	213.00	66.00	60.00			25.00					22.75	10.00	396.75	16
17	Hollywood, Lutheran (Florence M. Welty)	73.73	36.00	20.00		1.00						10.60		141.33	17
18	Honolulu, Hawaii (Ladies' Guild and Miss.)	59.00												59.00	18
19	Huntington Park, St. Luke's (Go Ye)	2.69	13.60			1.00						1.00		18.29	19
20	Huntington Park, St. Luke's (Gospel Light)	145.36	15.00	20.00										180.36	20
21	Huntington Park, St. Luke's (Women of the Church)	114.59	42.43	10.00	7.07			18.28				14.14	28.28	234.79	21
22	Inglewood, Holy Trinity (Dorcas)	115.63	78.88	70.00					10.00		25.00	9.53	100.00	409.04	22
23	La Canada, Ch. in Foothills (Women of the Church)	9.02	22.00									2.00		33.02	23
24	Las Vegas, Nev., Reformation (Women of the Ch.)	5.10	5.10											10.20	24
25	Long Beach, Faith (Women of the Church)	43.73	19.00	20.00								3.00		85.73	25
26	Long Beach, Lakewood (Women of the Church)	42.32	19.14	20.00								7.20	15.00	103.66	26
27	Long Beach, Trinity (Women of the Church)	456.87	200.00	265.00	205.00	15.00	25.00	60.00		15.00		60.00	10.00	1311.87	27
28	Los Angeles, Advent (Women of the Church)	243.72	22.80	40.00	80.00	5.00		2.00					38.00	431.52	28
29	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas)	61.71	29.55	20.00								8.10		119.36	29
30	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	51.04	15.20	30.00			2.00					3.00	8.00	109.24	30
31	Los Angeles, Bethany (Women of the Church)	7.00	18.00	50.00		2.00						9.00	4.00	90.00	31
32	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Day)	550.31	120.00	210.00	175.00	5.00		10.00				32.00	22.50	1124.81	32
33	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	116.00	36.25	45.00				25.00				8.75		231.00	33
34	Los Angeles, St. Mark's (W. M. S.)	112.50	32.50	25.00		2.00		25.00				8.75		205.75	34
35	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts)	88.31	20.00	20.00	50.00							5.60		183.91	35
36	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)	34.30		10.00										44.30	36
37	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Women of the Church)	56.01	14.40	10.00								4.55	13.00	97.96	37
38	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Yowomis)	5.92	14.70											20.62	38
39	North Hollywood, St. Matthew's (Mena Spirer)	203.25	23.80	40.00	10.00	5.00	5.00					6.00		293.05	39
40	North Hollywood, St. Matthew's (Faith)	118.00	40.00	20.00	10.00									188.00	40
41	Oakland, First (Women of the Church)	201.82	100.00	90.00	50.00	5.00	10.00	20.00				18.50		495.32	41
42	Oakland, St. John's (W. M. S.)	20.45	14.50	10.00										44.95	42
43	Pasadena, Trinity (Women of the Church)	306.76	65.50	115.00	50.00	1.00		10.00			1000.00	17.99	50.00	1616.25	43
44	Phoenix, Ariz., Faith (Women of the Church)	115.95	28.76	30.00	50.00		10.00					8.11	44.00	286.82	44
45	Phoenix, Ariz., Grace (Women of the Church)	391 21	168.00		83.50	5.00						47.22	60.00	754.93	45

REPORT OF THE TREASURER—WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, DEC. 15, 1949, TO DEC. 31, 1950— Table 1—Cont'd.

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emphasis	Free Will	Life Membership In Memoriams	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran Home	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administrative Expense Fund	Synodical Missions	TOTALS	No. of Society
46	Pomona, Trinity (Women of the Church)	50.00		30.00										80.00	46
47	Project City, St. James' (Women of the Church)	30.76	10.40	10.00								2.80	4.50	58.46	47
48	Redlands, First (Women of the Church)	48.00	32.00	10.00			5.00						12.00	107.00	48
49	Redlands, First (Women's Guild)	6.30	6.60										6.60	19.50	49
50	Reno, Nev., Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Circle)	25.07	34.00									2.00		61.07	50
51	Richmond, Grace (Women of the Church)	220.00	85.00	10.00	95.00			25.00				20.00	40.00	495.00	51
52	Richmond, St. James' (Women of the Church)	75.33	26.40	10.00								6.30	35.00	153.03	52
53	Riverside, Trinity (W. M. Guild)	5.00	41.50	30.00			5.00						10.00	91.50	53
54	Riverside, Trinity (Nona M. Diehl)	68.26	23.10	20.00								9.00	20.00	140.36	54
55	Sacramento, First (Women of the Church)	20.00	24.00	20.00			5.00	10.00				11.00	29.50	119.50	55
56	Sacramento, St. John's (Dorcas)	133.39	64.00	40.00		2.00		4.00				14.00	30.00	287.39	56
57	Sacramento, St. John's (Mary E. Oehler)	86.43	30.00	50.00				3.00				14.00	30.00	213.43	57
58	Sacramento, St. Paul's (Miss. Guild)	24.09											35.00	59.09	58
59	San Bernardino, First (Women of the Church)	106.87	36.00	10.00								10.50	30.00	193.37	59
60	San Bernardino, First (Young Wm. of the Church)		13.80	10.00								2.00	5.00	30.80	60
61	San Diego, Christ's, Pacific Beach (Wm. of the Ch.)	111.56		30.00									100.00	241.56	61
62	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Day)	149.09	43.00	30.00	130.00							9.00		361.09	62
63	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	93.11	24.00	10.00	65.00									192.11	63
64	San Diego, First (Junior Women of the Church)	69.09	19.00	30.00										118.09	64
65	San Diego, St. Peter's (Women's League)	49.46	13.28	30.00					10.00			16.44		119.18	65
66	San Fernando, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	67.59	15.00									8.80	25.00	116.39	66
67	San Francisco, First (Women's Guild)	53.75	20.00	25.00								4.20	17.00	119.95	67
68	San Francisco, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	286.50	36.85	10.00	100.00		5.00							438.35	68
69	San Francisco, St. Matthew's (W.M.S.)	40.00	30.00									2.00		72.00	69
70	San Francisco, Temple (Women of the Church)	17.80	14.31											32.11	70
71	San Francisco, Temple (Gamma Chi)		12.00				7.00					3.00		22.00	71
72	San Jose, Grace (Women of the Church)	201.35	85.10	25.00	10.00	5.00		5.00	5.00			16.00		352.45	72
73	San Mateo, St. Andrew's (Women of St. Andrews)	34.15	26.70											60.85	73
74	Santa Barbara, Grace (Women of the Church)	100.00	66.50	20.00		1.00						17.75	18.00	223.25	74
75	Santa Monica, St. Paul's (Guild and Miss.)	130.11	80.90	60.60		5.00	14.57	15.00			5.00	22.40		332.98	75
76	Santa Monica, St. Paul's (Dorcas)	51.77	17.50									1.70		70.97	76
77	Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	117.83	29.94	60.00			5.00					10.50		223.27	77
78	Vallejo, St. Paul's (Guild)	184.40	86.00	20.00	25.00	1.00		5.00	18.50		5.00	22.00	125.00	491.90	78
79	Van Nuys, St. Andrew's (Women of the Church)	57.82	26.00	30.00								4.00		117.82	79
80	Westwood Village (Women's Guild)	14.66	26.00											40.66	80
81	Whittier, Salem (Women of the Church)	93.80	20.35	30.00								8.75	4.00	156.90	81
82	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Women of the Church)	45.80	9.16										30.00	84.96	82
83	Northern Conference (W. M. S.)								145.75				65.00	210.75	83
84	Southern Conference (W. M. S.)								169.93				236.13	406.06	84
85	W. M. S.—Synod of California	88.00										92.65	91.00	271.65	85
86	W.M.S., Synod of Calif (Church Shower)												4121.93	4121.93	86
87	W.M.S., Synod of Calif., Trans., Mmes. Hjort, Ball			30.00										30.00	87
	TOTALS	8545.33	2992.03	2375.00	1425.57	88.51	123.57	249.28	359.18	15.00	1035.00	793.53	5826.30	23828.30	

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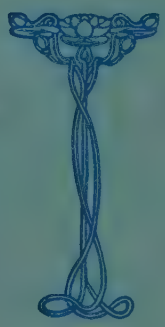

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CLERICAL ROLL	Year Ordained	Entered Synod	Conference	ADDRESS OF MINISTER	CONGREGATION SERVED	LAY DELEGATE	LAYMAN'S ADDRESS
Ackerman, J. Emory, Th.D.	1944	1944	S	8320 S. Rayford Dr., Los Angeles 45	Tranfiguration	Caspar Taw	3486 Clarington, L. A. 34
Allport, Thomas A.	1944	1950	S	P.O. Box 227, Lihue Kauai, T.H.	Lihue Lutheran Church		
Alm, Arthur W.	1942	1943	S	832 Marshall Blvd., San Bernardino	First English	Lee Alwardt	387 29th St., San Bernardino
Alsop, Albert	1944	1945	S	Roca 259, Azul, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina, Missionary			
Anspach, Howard A., D.D.	1913	1930	S	3510 W. 17th St., Los Angeles	St. Mark's	W. E. Lebold	843 W. 40th Place, L. A.
Attwood, George K.	1951	1951	N	1133 O'Farrell St., San Francisco	St. Mark's, Assist.	William Capel	761 Walnut St., San Carlos
Awerkamp, Orval A.	1935	1935	S	2336 Oregon Ave., Long Beach	Trinity	H. P. Jensen	1915 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach
Balsley, Glen O.	1945	1947	N	1309 Tuolumne St., Vallejo	St. Paul's	David Boydston	208 Holly St., Vallejo
Beasom, James P., Jr., D.D.	1923	1937	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	President of Synod		
Benko, Vlad P.	1945	1949	S	4668 Tivoli St., San Diego	St. Peter's	Elizabeth Matthews	5023 Brighton, San Diego 7
Bergstresser, Philip W.	1944	1944	N	1824 55th Ave., Oakland	St. John's	Mrs. F. Goodridge	2230 47th Ave., Oakland 1
Bitter, John C.	1917	1923	N	603 E St., Fresno 6	Wartburg		
Blough, Wm. H.	1928	1949	S	4427 Overland Ave., Culver City	Grace	Eugene Hoeftman	4236 Keystone Ave., Culver City
Bonker, Milus W.	1995	1946	N	556 31st St., Richmond	Grace	Mrs. M. Hathaway	1835 Wilcox, San Pablo
					Harbor Gate	Delmer Christensen	40 Harbor Ct., So. Richmond
Bowman, J. William	1948	1949	S	1162 N. Huntington Blvd., Pomona	Trinity	Carl Loell	177 Penfield, Pomona
Clark, Charles J.	1951	1951	N	Rt. 2, Box 173A, Placerville	Mt. Olive Parish	(Trailer Ministry)	
Claus, August S.	1943	1943	N	2112 Lotus Ave., Fresno 2	St. Paul's	George Schneider	Rt. 3, Box 418, Fresno
Click, E. Dale	1944	1944	N	643 28th Ave., San Mateo	St. Andrew's	Carl Cohenour	320 23rd Ave., San Mateo
Clutz, Frank H.	1931	1949	S	805 E. Camelback Rd., Phoenix,	Faith	Gilbert Olson	1851 W. Northern, Phoenix
Crouser, Clarence F.	1930	1930	N	187 N. Tenth St., San Jose	Grace	George F. Kohl	1221 Fairview Ave., San Jose
Dorn, J. George, D.D.	1915	1927	N	1135 O'Farrell St., San Francisco 9	St. Mark's	William Capel	761 Walnut St., San Carlos
Ebright, Oak W., D.D.	1919	1952	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra	Executive Director, California Lutheran Home for the Aged		
Ederma, Bruno	1925	1951	S	Box 1093, Norco	Bethany	Lyle Siglar	425 E. 5th St., Norco
Endter, Donald W.	1945	1945	S	2101 Grand Ridge, Monterey Park	St. Paul's	Stephen C. Saunders	241 W. Arlight St., Monterey Park
Failing, L. A.	1934	1946	S	2450 N. Parish Pl., Burbank	Luther Memorial	Emil Wickenhoefer	1440 N. Myers, Burbank
Fellner, M. John	1948	1949	S	2064 5th St., San Fernando	St. Mark's	William Bock	14741 Lassen St., San Fernando
Flora, George	1936	1951	N	2310 Hedding St., San Jose	Bethany	A. L. Tow	2456 Cory, San Jose 26
Foerester, John D., S.T.M.	1943	1951	S	908 Church St., Redlands	First English		
Garman, Quentin P.	1944	1947	S	1368 Law St., San Diego 9	Christ	Harold Price	826 Queenstown Ct., San Diego
Glidewell, Jack W.	1949	1950	S	Box 1673, Globe, Arizona	St. Paul's		
Gray, Louis G., ThD.	1921	1951	N	503 Iris, Redwood City	Messiah	Mrs. Robert Gray	120 W. 3rd, San Mateo
Hamme, H. Edward	1931	1947	N	448 S. Beretania St., Honolulu, T.H.	Honolulu	Irs Basehore	1588 Alewa Dr., Honolulu 17
Hansen, R. Waldo	1951	1951	S	126 Cordova Walk, Long Beach	Gloria Dei		
Heinecken, F. W.	1929	1995	S	3925 Walnut St., Riverside	Trinity	Nel E. Murphy	4435 Douglas, Riverside
Hidy, Albert S.	1951	1951	N	16248 Carolyn St., San Leandro	Epiphany	Rannie Gower	1066 Paradise Blvd., San Leandro
Hidy, Ross F.	1942	1945	N	3045 Hillegass, Berkeley 5	St. Michael's	Mrs. Garnet Grieve	593 The Alameda, Berkeley
Hintz, Waldemar G.	1945	1951	N	831 16th St., CHA No. 13, Honolulu	Pearl Harbor		
Holand, Clifford B.	1927	1938	S	625 21st Pl., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	Glen D. Jackson	715 17th Santa Monica
Hudson, Guy L.	1930	1930	S	8838 Rosewood Ave., L. A. 48	Beverly Hills	Phil E. French	260 S. Maple Dr., Beverly Hills
Kleinbergs, Oscar D.	1933	1952	S	685 Witmer St., L. A. 17	Peace (Latvian)		
Knudten, Arthur C., Ph.D.	1920	1943	N	921 Saginomiya Nichome Nakanoku Tokyo, Japan	Japanese Luth. Theo. Sem.		
Kohler, Henry Irving, D.D.	1919	1930	S	7011 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 3	Bethany	H. G. Vogel	7700 Miramonte Blvd., L. A. 1

[illegible]	1931	1942	S	1120 N. Third St., Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	A. B. Burton	202 E. Oregon, Phoenix, Ariz.
Linton, Kenneth E.	1947	1948	N	P. O. Box 545, Yreka	Mt. Zion		
Lorimer, Harold J.	1944	1944	S	900 Story Pl., Alhambra	Grace	Glenn Graham	1720 S. Stoneman, Alhambra
Lucas, Herman	1923	1925	N	544 Belvedere St., San Francisco 17	St. Matthew's	Albert L. Gercke	10 Pemberton Pl., San Francisco 14
Mattson, Edward J., S.T.D.	1927	1947	N	1159 Valencia St., San Francisco	Ex. Director, Lutheran Welfare Council of Northen California		
Mertz, Louis F.	1946	1946	S	3806 San Anseline Rd., Long Beach	Lakewood	Norris A. Lange	5432 Brittain St., Long Beach 8
Meyer, Christian H.	1944	1951	S	14301 Martha St., Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	J. C. Thompson	7332 Balboa Ave., Van Nuys
Miley, Charles A.	1929	1946	N	2720 58th St., Sacramento 17	St. Paul's	Harold Breithaupt	5922 4th Ave., Sacramento
Miley, Dwight L.	1926	1946	N	722 29th Ave., San Francisco 21	First United		
Miller, Eldon R.	1944	1944	N	15 Latona St., San Francisco 24	Temple	Robert Luehr, Jr.	304 Marston St., San Francisco
Mosling, Donald P.	1945	1951	S	2641 Hayes Ave., Long Beach	Faith		
Moyer, Carl H.	1933	1950	N	1331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond	St. James		
Nickel, Raymond L.	1945	1951	S	2071 So. Broadway, Santa Ana	United	Hartman Pedersen	1212 W. 3rd St., Santa Ana
Nield, John B., Ph.D.	1943	1943	S	11613 E. Bryant Rd., El Monte	Redeemer	Mrs. A. C. Bertelsen	4249 N. Cogswell, El Monte
Olson, Goodwin T.	1929	1951	N	725 Lansing Way, Fresno 4	Faith	Albert Hammerstrom	2012 Clinton Ave., Fresno
Oslund, J. Edward	1938	1938	N	5 Sunnyside Dr., Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	Charles Blaker	1418 Haskell, Reno, Nev.
Petersen, Gerald O.	1951	1951	S	4139 Cutler St., Baldwin Park	Ascension	Ray Swartz	3921 Baldwin Pk. Blv., Baldwin Pk
Robison, David E.	1937	1947	S	6444 So. Glengarry Ave., Whittier	Salem	Carl Lindberg	617 W. Camilla, Whittier
Romeis, H. Paul	1931	1936	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L. A. 5	Assistant to the President of Synod		
Romeis, Robert S.	1938	1938	N	1709 L St., Sacramento 14	St. John's	John E. Miller	710 25th St., Sacramento
Ruccius, Walter M.	1917	1951	S	1109 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara	Grace	Berger Anderson	522 W. Mickeltorena, Santa Barbara
Scherer, Henry H.	1928	1943	S	1329 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles 6	Advent	John G. Baur	969 S. Wilton Pl., L. A. 19
Scholl, Titus R.	1938	1946	S	197 W. Foothill Blvd., Altadena	Altadena	Robert Brammer	2054 N. Madison Ave., Altadena
Schott, Franklin H.	1942	1952	S	3934 E. Coronado St., Phoenix	New Mission		
Schwertz, Albert B., D.D.	1924	1941	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	First	Hoyt Klink	9628 Columbus, Sepulveda
Simmons, John G.	1942	1951	S	11556 Cumpston Blvd., N. Hollywood	St. Matthew's	Wendell E. Larson	730 N. Fairview, Burbank
Smith, Charles P.	1938	1943	S	2721 E. Florence Huntington Park	St. Luke's	Rudolph L. Kluck	6931 Wilcox Ave., Bell
Smith, Frederick A., Th.D.	1931	1945	S	1371 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 15	Ex. Sec., Luth. Welfare Council, So. Calif.		
Soldan, A. J., D.D.	1901	1929	S	11421 Waterford St., Los Angeles 24	Westwood Village	Don DeFore	343 Sepulveda Blvd., Westwood
Spindt, George A.	1945	1945	S	1919 E. Silver, Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	Calvin Jolly	1909 E. Helen, Tucson
Spirer, Edward N., D.D.	1930	1931	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L. A. 5	Director, Church Extension Division		
Stuhr, Walter M.	1931	1948	S	328 S. Marengo Ave., Alhambra	Our Saviour's	Peter Erlandson	2624 S. Orange Grove, Alhambra
Stump, John P.	1940	1948	S	1308 Salisbury Rd., La Canada	Foothill		
Swanson, Franklin A.	1938	1942	N	3660 Pahoa Ave., Honolulu 16	St. Paul's		
Tambert, Carl V.	1932	1946	S	1303 N. Brand, Glendale	First	Howard Logan	757 Pioneer Dr., Glendale
Ulrich, George L.	1922	1949	S	742 27th St., Manhattan Beach	Trinity	S. W. Owen	411 Longfellow Ave., Hermosa Bch.
Valbracht, Edw. F., S.T.M., D.D.	1915	1951	S	421 S. Sunset Canyon Dr., Burbank	First, Glendale, Associate Pastor		
Vosseler, Erwin A.	1920	1941	S	4672 Adams Ave., San Diego	First	Leo Rosecrans	7236 Annapolis, La Mesa
Wagner, Donald E.	1945	1945	N	1283 Holman Rd., Oakland 10	First English	C. T. Gutleben	4815 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland
Weaver, J. Benner	1944	1944	S	3120 W. 81st St., Inglewood	Holy Trinity	Arthur Burgen	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd., Inglewood
Wheatley, Robert C.	1947	1949	S	1204 W. 163rd St., Gardena	St. John's	Basel Licklider	15931 Ainsworth St., Gardena
Wolpert, Paul H.	1943	1943	N	64 Fountain Way, Fresno	First English	George L. Miksch	4520 Illinois Ave., Fresno
Vacant			S	997 E. Walnut St., Pasadena	Trinity	Clarence L. Derr	2023 Galbreth Rd., Pasadena
Vacant			S	958 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	Glenn Jackson	715 17th St., Santa Monica
Vacant			S	1733 N. New Hampshire, H'wood	Hollywood	D. M. Lingle	6777 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood
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CHAPLAINS				
Forsyth, Willis J.	1946	1947	S	U. S. Naval Hospital, U. S. Naval Base, Charleston, South Carolina
Kzeldahl, Ragner, S.T.M.	19	1951	N	166 Embarcadero, San Francisco (Y.M.C.A.)
May, Erwin T.	1931	1931	N	Bldg. 208, Ft. Mason, S.F.P.E., San Francisco
Schwenk, Elwood	1921	1947	N	Chaplain, Veterans Adm. Hospital, 13th & Harrison, Oakland 12
Vosseler, Lawrence	1941	1941	S	USS Toledo (CA 133* Chaplain's Office, FPO San Francisco, Calif.
Wharton, Paul C.	1938	1949	S	3316½ W. 77th St., Los Angeles 43, Chaplain, Santa Monica & California Hospitals
Wright, Edward Dewitt	1923	1937	S	Area Chaplain's Office, Box 3, Commander Marianas, FPO San Francisco
RETIRED				
Becker, Otto	1912	1941	N	344 E. 92nd St., Los Angeles 3
Broyer, John R., Ph.D.	1896	1912	N	1622 Great Highway, San Francisco 22
Fieblekorn, Albert	1903	1921	S	275 N. Alta Vista, Monrovia
Groseclose, Albert L.	1911	1945	S	99 N. Chester Ave., Pasadena 4
Harshman, L. A.	1907	1944	S	1308½ Talmadge St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.
Harter, Norman N.	1895	1911	S	2506 S. Bronson St., Los Angeles 27, Calif.
Herold, J. S., D.D.	1900	1939	N	138 N. 11th St., Miamisburg, Ohio
Hoick, John Edward, D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1898	S	1091 Leighton Ave., Los Angeles 37
Hormann, Arthur, Ph.D.	1911	1947	N	P. O. Box 2922, Honolulu, T.H.
Isham, Arthur A.	1907	1912	S	832 Alvarado St., Redlands
Kohls, George H.	1913	1951	N	1221 Fairview Ave., San Jose 25, Calif.
Leech, Harvey M.	1894	1919 (1912)	S	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Maggart, C. W., D.D.	1882	1926 (1892)	S	2023 W. 82nd St., Los Angeles
Meyer, Emil	1900	1919	N	3900 Lakeshore, Oakland 10
Miller, Wm. C., S.T.M.	1899	1928	S	Wakeeney, Kans.
Mottern, Warren R., Litt.D., (P.E.M.)	1897	1909	S	211 N. Adams St., Glendale 6
Moyer, F.E.	1912	1944	S	2404 F St., San Diego 2
Oehler, Charles F., D.D.	1888	1893	S	1713 J St., Sacramento 14
Poat, Wm. F., Ll.D.	1901	1920	N	3710 Mintern St., Riverside
Schmidt, Henry F.	1895	1930	S	646 Cerritos Ave., Long Beach 12
Snyder, Daniel J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1903	1908	S	2085 Linden St., Long Beach 6
Trabert, E. A., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1919	N	21 Chestnut Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.
Weaver, H. J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1900	S	2500 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra

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1	Los Angeles	1891	Rev. O. C. Miller	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Mr. John Everding	8	5
2	San Francisco	1892	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Mr. John Everding	10	6
3	Sacramento	1893	Rev. Philip Graif	Rev C. W. Maggart	Mr. John Everding	12	8
4	San Diego	1894	Rev. M. H. Stine	Rev. J. S. Simon	Mr. John Everding	16	10
5	Los Angeles	1895	Rev. C. W. Maggart	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Mr. John Everding	17	9
6	San Jose	1896	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	17	11
7	Oakland	1897	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	20	12
8	Sacramento	1898	Rev. E. Nelander, Ph.D.	Rev. J. W. Ball	Mr. John Everding	20	11
9	San Diego	1899	Rev. J. W. Ball	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
10	San Francisco	1900	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	17	10
11	Los Angeles	1901	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	10
12	Alameda	1902	Rev. William Kelly	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
13	Sacramento	1903	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	13
14	Riverside	1904	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	21	14
15	San Jose	1905	Rev. H. J. Weaver	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	24	16
16	Sacramento	1906	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	22	18
17	Redlands	1907	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	27	20
18	Santa Barbara	1908	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	20
19	Fresno	1909	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	21
20	San Francisco	1910	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	29	21
21	San Diego	1911	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	30	22
22	Los Angeles	1912	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	41	24
23	Sacramento	1913	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	42	27
24	Santa Barbara	1914	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	43	28
25	Mt. Hermon	1915	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	44	29
26	Long Beach	1916	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. M. N. Harter	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	29
27	San Francisco	1917	Rev. C. F. Oehler, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	30
28	Pasadena	1918	Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	45	30
29	Oakland	1919	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	46	30
30	San Diego	1920	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	51	30
31	San Jose	1921	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	32

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33	San Francisco	1923	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	33
34	San Diego	1924	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	35
35	San Francisco	1926	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	60	35
36	Glendale	1927	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. S. T. Himes, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	66	38
37	Oakland	1928	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	63	38
38	Hollywood	1929	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Richard H. Trojan	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	58	37
39	Sacramento	1930	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	37
40	Long Beach	1931	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	64	37
41	San Francisco	1932	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	68	38
42	Los Angeles	1933	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	65	36
43	Oakland	1934	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	62	36
44	Riverside	1935	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	64	35
45	San Francisco	1936	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, D.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	63	37
46	Phoenix, Arizona	1937	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	66	37
47	Sacramento	1938	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	37
48	Santa Monica	1939	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	60	37
49	San Jose	1940	Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	57	36
50	Los Angeles	1941	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	38
51	Sacramento	1942	Rev. Wm. H. Derr, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	38
52	Glendale	1943	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	67	39
53	San Francisco	1944	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	68	39
54	Pasadena	1945	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	83	42
55	Oakland	1946	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	90	46
56	Hollywood	1947	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	101	52
57	San Diego	1948	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	99	60
58	San Francisco	1949	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	65	61
59	Huntington Park	1950	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	73	68
60	Sacramento	1951	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	110	72
61	Los Angeles	1952	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	115	80

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1956—The Rev. Ross F. Hidy

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SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

of California

The 61st Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California was preceded by a Service of Installation, installing the Rev. H. Paul Romeis as Assistant to the President, held in First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, California, on Sunday evening, May 4, 1952. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch gave a stirring message on "Candidates for Martyrdom." On Monday afternoon Dr. Frederick R. Knubel, President of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New York presented the first in a series of Knubel-Miller Lectures on the theme "What is the Pastoral Counseling Movement?" Following the lecture the laymen had a pre-Convention meeting under the leadership of Mr. Leo S. Johnston.

FIRST SESSION

The Convention was officially opened on Monday evening, May 5, 1952 with a service of Holy Communion held in First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles. Officiants were—Liturgists, the Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary; Dr. Albert B. Schwertz, Host Pastor; Homilist, the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President of Synod; Administrants, the Rev. Carl V. Tambert and the Rev. Ross F. Hidy, Presidents of Conferences, and the Rev. Henry Scherer, Statistician. The Convention was officially opened by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, First Vice President, using the prescribed order.

SECOND SESSION

The Second Session was opened with devotions led by the Convention Chaplain, the Rev. Vlad P. Benko. Dr. Knubel presented the second lecture on the theme "How Much Psychology Should a Pastor Know?"

The President of Synod, the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., expressed the gratitude of the Convention to Dr. Frederick R. Knubel for the excellent lectures he is presenting to the Convention in addition to representing the United Lutheran Church in America.

The following Convention Committees were announced by the Secretary of the Synod:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:	Quentin Garman, Chairman Milus Bonker Eugene Hoeftman Gilbert Olson
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The following guests were introduced and welcomed to the Convention:

Dr. Frederick R. Knubel, President of the New York Synod and official United Lutheran Church in America representative

Chaplain Lawrence Vossler of the U.S.N., attached to the U.S.S. Toledo

Chaplain Max Gilmer of the Illinois Synod, stationed at Camp Cook, California

The report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was received. They recommended that all guests to be presented to the Convention be presented through the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President.

The motion prevailed that the printed program for the 61st Annual Convention be adopted as the official order of procedure.

The motion prevailed that the following reports be adopted without being read:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS

In July, 1951, the Committee began the first Synodical Book Club with ten pastors enrolled. Ten outstanding books were selected by the committee. Each month every enrolled pastor gets to read one of the books. At the end of the ten month period every book will have been in the possession of each pastor for one month. Then every man will keep the book which reaches him last. We are happy to report that the men who are enrolled have expressed their enthusiasm for the club, therefore we hope that another Book Club can be started soon to run concurrently with the first club with another selection of books and an additional group of pastors. The committee will appreciate any expressions of interest in another club by men who are not already enrolled in the first.

The Committee wishes to bring to the attention of all churches the Book Corner plan of displaying and selling Bibles and religious books in your church at various seasons during the year. The U.L.P.H. makes it easy for every church to have a Book Corner by sending each congregation an order card of current religious books well in advance of the season in which they are to be displayed and sold. All you have to do is mail in your order on the card, and you have a Book Corner, or practically so. Appoint a person to take charge of the project and advertise the books, and you will be on your way to a better informed Christian congregation. Many of our churches already have Book Corners and will attest to their value.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD W. ENDTER, Chairman
FRANK H. CLUTZ
JOHN P. STUMP
E. DALE CLICK
CARL MOYER

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

One of the functions of the Executive Committee is the direction of the Home Mission activities of Synod. Some of the information regarding this work will be found in the report of the President of Synod, in the report of the Comptroller and in the report of the Executive Committee. Augmenting these, we list the following recommendations of Synod and information regarding the salary aid missions. In doing this, we express once more to The Board of American Missions the gratitude of Synod for its guidance and assistance in our mission development.

Alhambra, Our Saviour's	Rev. Walter M. Stuhr	$1,860
Altadena, Altadena	Rev. Titus R. Scholl	2,160
Azusa, Calvary	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	2,820
Baldwin Park, Ascension	Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen	2,400
Burbank, Luther Memorial	Rev. L. A. Failing	2,340
Central Valley, St. James'	Rev. George K. Attwood	2,160
Culver City, Grace	Rev. William H. Blough	1,680
El Monte, Redeemer	Rev. John B. Nield	2,100
Fresno, Faith	Rev. Goodwin T. Olson	3,300
Globe, St. Paul's	Rev. Jack W. Glidewell	2,160
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz	2,640
Honolulu, St. Paul's	Rev. Franklin A. Swanson	3,600
La Canada, Foothill	Rev. John P. Stump	2,040
Las Vegas, Reformation	Rev. William C. Arbaugh	2,700
Lihue, Kauai, Lihue Lutheran	Rev. Thomas Allport	1,920
Long Beach, Faith	Rev. Donald P. Mosling	1,680
Long Beach, Lakewood	Rev. Louis F. Mertz	2,220
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	Rev. J. Emory Ackerman	2,280
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	Rev. George L. Ulrich	2,520
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	Rev. Donald W. Endter	1,500
Phoenix, Faith	Rev. Frank H. Clutz	600
Pomona, Trinity	Rev. J. William Bowman	2,100
Redwood City, Messiah	Rev. Louis G. Gray	900
Reno, Good Shepherd	Rev. J. Edward Oslund	2,280
Richmond, St. James'	Rev. Carl H. Moyer	2,220
Sacramento, St. Paul's	Rev. Charles A. Miley	1,620
San Diego, Christ	Rev. Quentin P. Garman	2,340
San Diego, St. Peter's	Rev. Vlad P. Benko	2,220
San Fernando, St. Mark's	Rev. M. John Fellner	2,160
San Francisco, First	Rev. Dwight L. Miley	1,500
San Jose, Bethany	Rev. George R. Flora	3,300
San Leandro, Epiphany	Rev. Albert S. Hidy	2,400
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	Rev. E. Dale Click	480
Santa Ana, United	Rev. Raymond L. Nickel	3,000
Tucson, Our Saviour's	Rev. George A. Spindt	1,920
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	Rev. Christian H. Meyer	3,000
Whittier, Salem	Rev. David E. Robison	2,160
Yreka, Mt. Zion	Rev. Kenneth E. Linton	1,800

FIELDS BEING DEVELOPED

Long Beach, Naples area	Board Missionary R. Waldo Hansen	2,700
Norco-Corona-Chino	Board Missionary Bruno Ederma	3,000
Trailer Ministry	Board Missionary Charles J. Clark	3,000

During the summer of 1951, a Trailer Ministry began in the Mother Lode country, under the pastoral leadership of The Rev. Charles Clark. The areas being served are: Sutter Creek, Somerset, Foresthill, and West Point. We are grateful to The Board of American Missions for making possible this work and most of the supplies for the ministry.

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Santa Barbara, Grace.....Rev. Walter M. Ruccius

The following new fields are being surveyed for occupancy during the summer of 1952:

City of Orange, Calif.
Palm Springs—Cathedral City, Calif.
The area in the City of Los Angeles centering at Centinella and La Tierra Blvd.
Casa Grande, Ariz.
Millbrae, Calif.
Downey, Calif.
Orinda, Calif. (to include Moraga)
Santa Clara, Calif.
Tucson, Ariz.
El Cajon, Ariz.
Ajo, Ariz.

The following fields having been surveyed the summer of 1951, are being entered:

East Phoenix, Ariz.
Yuma, Ariz.
North Lakewood, Long Beach, Calif.
Concord, Calif.
Northeast Sacramento, Calif.
Santa Cruz, Calif.
Mountain View, Calif.
Norco-Corona-Chino, Calif.
Seminary Hill, Berkeley, Calif.

A good deal of the work of Synodical Missions could not be carried on if it were not for the special help being received through the contributions of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society. Of that which has been granted this past year by the Women's Missionary Society, $1,200 helped to make possible the Trailer Ministry. Moreover, Synod is extremely grateful to one of the members of the Executive Committee of Synod, Mr. Fritz C. Noel, for many contributions to the mission congregations in their building programs as well as financial assistance in making possible several programs as well as financial assistance in making possible several loans.

Recognizing God's overlordship of His Church, this report is respectfully submitted

JAMES P. BEASOM, JR.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The past year has found the Board of Foreign Missions supplying the parishes with more and finer supplies with which to present the urgent cause of overseas missions. Excellent films are being prepared that vividly bring the experiences and challenges of each of our fields before the members of our congregations. All churches are urged to use them. If the rental fee cannot be met, the films are available on a free-will offering basis.

The Church Schools of Synod are commended on their excellent response to the Epiphany Appeal. More schools and more funds were engaged in the past year's project, the construction of Phebe Hospital in Liberia. The 1952 appeal for a preparatory school in Argentina also find an increasing interest among our parishes in teaching youth the importance of heeding the Lord's command—"Go ye into ALL the world."

The committee has also arranged for the meeting of incoming and departing missionaries at the San Francisco port. Miss Anne Harder and Mrs. P. J. Kraemer head the reception committee and are assisted by the Women's Missionary Societies of the Bay Area. In addition, many requests from the far East fields have been cared for. Two pianos were shipped to our Japanese field.

We are grateful for the reception the congregations gave Mr. Fuad Nucho of Palestine as he toured our Synod. Missionary Douglas Erickson of the China field also spoke before a number of gatherings. The presence of Missionary Alsop during the early months of this year was a great encouragement in presenting the Argentine appeal for the Church Schools and Luther Leagues.

There are missionaries available almost constantly. Any church desiring speakers is invited to contact the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MILUS W. BONKER, Chairman
L. G. GRAY
GEORGE FLORA
CARL H. MOYER
DAVID ROBISON
W. M. RUCCIUS

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSION SOCIETY OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Social Mission Society of the Southern Conference, an affiliate of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, and a Constitutional Beneficiary of the Samaritan Society of Southern California has, through unanimous action of the Board of Directors been functioning under the same Executive Board as that of the Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home since January 1st of this year. It has also been served by the same Congregational Key Women as those of the Fellowship thus increasing its usefulness and membership by making known its functions and aims.

The Treasurer's Report for the year ending December 31, 1951 is as follows:

Balance on hand January 1, 1951		$ 389.33
Receipts from Samaritan Society		1,706.25
Total Receipts		$2,095.58
Disbursements:		
California Lutheran Home	$1,200.00	
Individual and Family Relief	50.00	
"Message for the Day" for 1951-52 to be distributed to patients at California and Santa Monica Hospitals	90.00	
Total Disbursements		$1,340.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1951		$ 755.58

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARSTEN N. ALM, President
MRS. NELS C. ROSTAD, Treasurer

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF 1951 SYNOD

The Committee on the Minutes of the Sixtieth Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, held at St. John's Lutheran Church at Sacramento, Calif., January 29 through February 1, 1951, have carefully considered the minutes of this Synod meeting as submitted and have found them accurate and complete.

This committee wishes to commend the Secretary of the Synod, The Rev. Paul Wolpert and his staff for the splendid work they have performed in transcribing these minutes for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH E. LINTON, Chairman
AUGUST CLAUS
M. JOHN FELLNER

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FOR 1951

The Synodical committee on ministerial education is happy to again be able to present the following report of its activities for the year 1951.

The whole Church has become very conscious of the great demand for a strong Church here on the West Coast. To have a strong Church here we must have a constant flow of men going into the gospel ministry from our own synod. We shall be strong in proportion to the number of men we as a synod send into the ministry and women into the diaconate.

Many fields are ready and should be entered but cannot be because of the insufficient number of men we have in the ministry. It is to our own Churches here in California that we must look now for the men that are needed. So once again the challenge for each and every Church to present the high calling of the ministry to its finest young men is imperative. It must begin in the individual Churches.

The work of this committee is very far reaching. With the establishment and opening in the fall of 1952 of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary on our territory the work of this committee shall be more intensive if not as far reaching. Your committee this year has done the following:

1. Sought out and kept in contact with all the ministerial and diaconate candidates. Many prospective students' names are in our files at the present time.

2. We encourage, counsel and direct by personal interview all ministerial students. Encouragement and guidance is very important.

3. We have assisted the needy students to get to and from college and/or seminary or the motherhouse. The Board of Education of the U.L.C.A. has been a tremendous help in this matter. Our sincere thanks to them.

4. As a committee of the California Synod we have screened the requests for aid from the synod. This we have tried to do on the basis of need. For any synodical grant a note is signed and is in effect for a period of 10 years. If the student remains in the full time service of the Church for this period of time, the note is then cancelled.

Prospective students for full time Christian service should be selected on the following basis: 1) Consecration; 2) Intelligence and general alertness; 3) Attractive personality; 4) Integrity; 5) Aggressive energy; 6) Good health.

This committee also provides records and reports to the examining committee for each student of ours coming into the synod and about to be ordained.

All prospective ministerial and diaconate students should be placed in touch with this committee as soon as possible. Especially is this true in times of national emergency. The names of all men students planning for the ministry whether they be in High School, College, or Seminary, should be in the hands of this committee. The President of Synod should also have this information. The names of these students should be included in the minutes of synod for future reference when necessary. Forms of "Certification of Students for the Ministry" are available through Dr. Beasom's office. Every pastor should have this information. This will avoid confusion later on. Along with this form must come a letter from the student's pastor commending him as a ministerial student.

At the present time we have one student preparing for deaconess work. Sister Patricia Chafin of Culver City is now in nurses training. She has two years to complete her work.

In order for any student to be considered for synodical aid or travel assistance, he must make a written request to the Chairman of this committee. The Board of Education allows one round trip per school year for those attending college or seminary elsewhere. This is allowed also on the basis of need.

During 1951 the committee assisted the following students:

	Synod Aid	Travel All.	School
1—Richard Arthur of Sacramento		$ 97.00	N. W. Seminary
2—Bliss Bellinger of Altadena	$150.00		Carthage
3—Robert Beckstrom of Long Beach	50.00	11.40	Midland
4—Stanley Califf of Pasadena	75.00		Redlands
5—Charles Clark of L. A.	100.00	45.00	Central
6—Gilbert Dossi of Wilmington	100.00		Maywood
7—Ervin Florance of Alhambra	125.00	90.00	Midland
8—James Fincher of L. A.	200.00		Maywood
9—Ned Glidewell of Globe, Ariz.	75.00		Midland
10—Kenneth Hartzheim of L. A.	250.00		Hamma
11—Albert Hidy of Philadelphia	100.00		Mt. Airy.
12—Hallett Kruggel of Downey	150.00	40.00	Midland
13—Charles Lehman of Huntington Park	75.00		Midland
14—John Lindstrom of Inglewood	50.00	90.00	Midland
15—Ray Nassen of Los Angeles	100.00	88.98	Central
16—Jerry Pedersen of Long Beach		112.00	Minneapolis
17—Gene Samuelson of Phoenix	100.00		Maywood
18—Harold Schluntz of Los Angeles	200.00		Minneapolis
19—George Steffens of San Bernardino	250.00		Central

20—Walter Stuhr of Alhambra		90.00	Yale
21—Christian Thearle of North Hollywood	50.00	45.00	Midland
22—Robert Varblow of California		50.00	Maywood
23—Gene Vosseler of San Diego	200.00		Central
24—Ted Youngerman of Glendale	100.00		Central
25—James Youngquist of Glendale		135.00	Central

To this list of those who have received financial help we can add the names of many others who are preparing for the ministry. These are the names of which your committee has knowledge. There may be others, but we do not know of them as yet.

Carl Nuebel of San Bernardino
George Drach of Phoenix
Harry Durkee of Richmond
Marion Gjerde of Richmond
James Grant of San Diego
Bertrand Johnson of Phoenix
Howard Mickel of Norwood, Ohio
Kenneth Olson of Phoenix
Stanley Olson of Phoenix
Herbert Ringo of Richmond
Paul Scherer of Los Angeles
William Anderson of Tucson
Paul Erickson of Maywood
Wm. Moreman of Santa Monica

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Board of Education of the U.L.C.A. especially Dr. Gould Wickey, for the fine cooperation and help in providing transportation for needy students. Thanks are also due to the president's office for synodical aid. Thanks also to the pastors of synod for the help in keeping in contact with our ministerial students.

May we ever keep in the minds of our people these two great causes of the Church: the ministry and the diaconate.

May God continue to bless us as together we build a strong Church here on the West Coast.

Respectfully submitted,

The Ministerial Education Committee
ARTHUR W. ALM, Chairman
WALTER M. RUCCIUS, D.D.
R. L. NICKEL
G. L. ULRICH
HERMAN LUCAS

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Again the Synod of California has met its Apportionment to The United Lutheran Church in America 100 per cent; this item has first priority on our budget and is paid each year in eleven monthly payments, a procedure unique among the Synods of our Church. Likewise, our Lutheran World Action quota was met and oversubscribed this year. The only regrettable fact in our Stewardship picture for 1951 was the failure on the part of our congregations, for the first time in recent years and by only 1 per cent, to reach 100 per cent of the Synod's budget. This Committee would urge upon all congregations and pastors the diligent use of every material and tool available for Stewardship education, in order that all of our people might be led to the total commitment of all of life, which is Christian Stewardship.

Two members of the Committee, Robert Cummings, area Chairman for the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, and Pastor H. Paul Romeis, attended and participated in the annual Stewardship Conference held in June on the campus of Wittenberg College. Your Committee has assisted several congregations in setting up and executing various types of Stewardship programs and Every Member Visitation.

In November, 1951, we made available and scheduled in each congregation our own Stewardship film: Cathedral Films "No Greater Power" with an eight minute trailer by Dr. Beasom, emphasizing the particular Stewardship challenge of our Synod. The films of former years were much in demand, especially in the newer mission congregations which have been organized since these films were produced; all of the ULCA Stewardship films are still available from the Publication House in Los Angeles or from the Synodical Headquarters. For 1952, we have been given the responsibility of distributing the new Bible in Daily Living Film, "45 Tioga Street"; this film is available to you from the Synodical office, free of charge, for the whole year for as many showings as you desire.

We express our sincere appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for supplying, free of charge, the most excellent materials for use in every congregation; and we urge all congregational Stewardship Committees to make full use of all folders, films, materials, and helps so that every congregation may have a year-round program of Stewardship education.

We call your attention again to the major emphases of this program: (1) The tithe as the reasonable first step (2) The 50-50 budget (3) Christian Wills (4 Continued education of children in Stewardship.

REV. H. PAUL ROMEIS, Chairman
REV. ROSS F. HIDY
REV. CARL V. TAMBERT
GILBERT OLSON
ROBERT CUMMINGS
WILLIAM LEDUC

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

The work of the Committee on Church Music underwent some expansion during 1951. At the 1951 convention of Synod the suggestion was made to the committee on the new constitution of Synod that the Committee on Church Music and Worship be made a regular standing committee of Synod. This item is now included in the current draft of the new constitution.

During April and May, 1951, the Committee sponsored a school for church musicians which was held on five Tuesday evenings at First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles. More than 50 organists and choir directors and pastors attended the various sessions. The response of those participating was very favorable and the committee hopes to have a similar training course each year and to extend them to cover other areas of the Synod. Messrs. Robert Tusler and George Klump, directors of choirs at Grace Lutheran Church, Culver City and First Lutheran Church, Glendale, respectively, carried much of the burden of preparing this first training course, and much credit should go to them for their fine work.

In addition to this major activity, the committee answered numerous requests for information regarding personnel, church organs, music, choir vestments, etc. We appreciate these requests and hope that the Committee can continue to be of service to the pastors and congregations of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES P. SMITH, Chairman
VLAD P. BENKO
PHILIP W. BERGSTRESSER

The President of Synod, the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., presented the Report of the President and addressed the Convention briefly.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF SYNOD

Grace be unto you and peace from God, our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

"Earnestly contend for the faith, which was once delivered unto the saints. Jude, 3.

As we gather together as lay and clerical delegates to this Sixty-first annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California of The United Lutheran Church in America, it behooves us to bear in mind at all times that we are a part of Christ's holy Church, His Body. We must constantly be aware and bear witness to His living presence and be guided by His Word in all that we say and do.

It must be our sacred responsibility not only to contend for the truth of the faith in the Gospel of our blessed Lord but to see that this message of salvation is brought to every man. If there can be upon the souls of each one of us this holy passion for souls for the Kingdom, then everything that we seek to do here will truly be to His honor and glory and the up-building of His Kingdom.

These are important and vital days we are spending together. That which we do here must not be taken lightly but deliberately after prayerful meditation with our Saviour. We have all, in the worship service, received the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, in which He has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink for the forgiveness of our sins. In this service, we have willingly confessed before Him and to Him and in the presence of one another as His Church that we are sinners and unworthy, that we deserve nothing but death and condemnation. In response to our confession of faith, He has assured us of the forgiveness of our sins and the commutation of our sentence of death so that now we have life in Him and there must abound within our souls a joy that cannot be withheld from others, but must radiate from our very presence so that those round about us can see Him in us, in our happiness of having experienced this great and good gift, purchased at such a great price by our blessed Saviour.

It is almost trite to say that we are living in a day when men are giving up all semblances of hope and placing their confidence in the destructive forces of this life, seeking by the destruction of life to maintain life, while they are dreaming of a Saviour to come, of a voice, a leader, a way. In such a situation, we meet, having been given the glorious Gospel of our Saviour and having been called to the ministry of His Church and having been commissioned to carry out this Word of Salvation to dying souls. How else can we live now through these days of this Convention without an earnest and zealous demand upon each delegate for a recommitment of his or her whole life for the one express purpose, to leave not one task unfinished or one stone unturned which shall open the way of Christ Jesus to this unhappy day of ours, to the end that souls may be brought safely into the harbor of His love.

As the President of your Synod, I do not want to leave you under any misapprehension. I do not have all of the answers to all of the questions and problems that come before us but I do believe that we can be led of the Lord by the power of His Holy Spirit, if it is our earnest purpose to be obedient to the Holy Spirit and to strive daily after holiness of heart and life and for the extension of His Kingdom by witnessing steadfastly to the faith. I recognize that each individual present and each congregation represented in Synod has special difficulties and problems that may appear to be somewhat in conflict with that for which we come together as a Synod. Again, I do not want anyone here to feel that I have the answers to these points of conflict but I am confident that the Lord will find a way for us to reconcile all of these problems and all of these conflicts and difficulties if we will but put our trust in Him and go forward knowing that we are not alone but that He is with us and thus contend earnestly for the faith, which was once delivered unto the saints and which has in these latter days been given unto us, His Church and for which we are a responsible people.

The year 1951 will always be remembered by your President, for it is in that year that the Lord gave him opportunity once more to see, in a very remarkable way, His mercy and power and benediction. He speaks not only of his illness but of the privilege of seeing once more the victorious march of the Living Word as new missions have been planted and congregations brought into being, as well as a property purchased for the establishment of a new institution of Christian Higher Education for the preparation of young men and women for the Gospel Ministry.

It was on Reformation Sunday evening of that year that the weaknesses of the human body became noticeable and your President was compelled to stop in his busy life and program of the Church and be taken to a hospital. Through the hospital experiences, God sent to him many who ministered unto him, both from the medical profession and the Church, for all he is deeply grateful. No one can understand the extent of this gratitude except those who have had like experiences. It is truly an Easter experience, a resurrection and a walking once more into a newness of life.

During the period of your President's illness, the Executive Committee of Synod and many of the pastors and leaders of Synod stepped in at the crucial moment to carry on the vital program of Synod that the absence of the President of Synod would not injure the forward movement of the Kingdom, as it was committed unto us and as this Synod proclaimed itself in the actions of the Sixtieth Annual Convention. The work was so well done that as the year 1951 came to a close, we found a remarkable record which can only be understood rightly as one studies carefully the report of the Statistician of Synod.

One is able to catch something of the victorious march of the Living Word, as it has been committed unto us, as we look over the report of the Historian of Synod, in which he takes up the period from 1941 to 1951, which he calls a decade of unparalleled progress and he shows how the Synod grew from 38 congregations to 80 congregations; from a Communing Membership of 5,615 to 16,960; from church property valued at $1,175,131.00 to $5,555,885; Apportionment paid raised from $14,389.00 to $141,995.00. For all of these evidences of God's mercy, love and power, we return thanks unto Him and unto Him give all of the glory and honor. Moreover, we are aware that such progress could not have been made were it not for the fact that God has given unto us many others to labor with us and for us, as we go forward in faith to do His will. We are a part of the whole United Lutheran Church in America, which has its boards and agencies, its officers and workers, to assist us in all departments of endeavor in the Church. It would be impossible for the President of Synod to express to each the gratitude deserved for the kindnesses and assistance given to this Synod during the year 1951. There is hardly an individual in the whole United Lutheran Church that has not had a part, either through the giving in Benevolences or in the giving of services or in the giving of directions, assistance, and guidance to make possible the record of the past year. To all of these, your President wishes to record his humble gratitude.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR: The year 1951 brought to a close the appeal of our United Lutheran Church for the Christian Higher Education Year, with such an overwhelming success that the national figures exceeded the goal by approximately $1,000,000.00. The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California is happy to report again the completion of a goal established, not only by the Church but by the Synod itself, and the receipt of funds far beyond that which was anticipated. To all of the directors and leaders who helped in making possible the success of this Appeal, your President wishes to express his appreciation.

PACIFIC SEMINARY APPEAL: At the time the CHEY program was set up in the United Lutheran Church, we were in the process of gathering together the Board of Directors and looking for property for a Seminary. We had nothing tangible to present to the members of our various congregations in our Christian Higher Education Year Appeal so we asked for such funds as might be possible under the circumstances, knowing that it would be necessary to have a second appeal after a property was purchased. Thus, in the Fall of 1951, it became evident and wise for the Executive Committee of the Synod of California to call a special Convention of Synod on the newly acquired property of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, Calif. It was at this Convention that action was taken to carry out an Appeal throughout the Church for $250,000.00 during the year of 1952. To implement this Appeal, your Executive Committee called The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Director in the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, with offices at Springfield, Ohio, to take up the Directorship of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal.

Moreover, plans were laid for the Appeal, which have been presented to our various congregations in district and congregational meetings and will be presented again at this Convention by those in charge. It is the earnest desire of your President that every member of every congregation and every pastor of every congregation seek to find what is the will of God for him or her in this Appeal. It is the sincere opinion of the President of Synod that if the plan presented by the Directing Committee could have an opportunity in every congregation, the goal for the

Appeal would not only be reached but surpassed for this vital work of the establishment of a Theological Seminary on the West Coast.

I am sure that none of us here can know what our actions and the results of our actions in our congregations will mean in the years to come, except that we are impelled and compelled by the love of Christ to carry out, very earnestly, the Gospel that was committed unto us and know that in this manner we are laying plans for a constructive endeavor in the planting of the Church and the instituting of His ministries of mercy and love in this vast empire of the Pacific.

MISSIONS: As you are aware, the Executive Committee and the Home Mission Committee of Synod were merged several years ago into the Executive Committee and thus, as a part of the report of the President of Synod, you will find the Home Mission Committee Report. I hope this will be studied very prayerfully and carefully, for it is the burden upon the heart of the President of Synod that the Synod shall never lose its zeal for missions and it shall determine always to be vigilent in seeking to find fields for survey and occupancy; ways and means for the establishment of congregations; pastors and workers to carry out the preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word. If this shall be the burden of this Synod and this Synod shall be known throughout the Church as the Missionary Synod of the Church, then we can be assured that we are being used of God and that this is His Church and He is with us as He moves in and through us to bring about His will in the building of His Church upon earth.

CAMP YOLIJWA: The President of Synod calls attention to the actions of the Sixtieth Annual Convention of Synod when it was decided that the year 1952 would be given over to the Camp Committee for an appeal for funds for camping. Because of the actions of the special Convention of Synod, placing the Appeal for the Seminary at this same time, it was deemed advisable to ask the Camp Committee to postpone the appeal for Camp Yolijwa until the year 1953. It is the desire of the President of Synod that this action of the Camp Committee, which is now a corporation, should be commended by Synod and the way opened for the presenting of this important cause to our people, during the year 1953.

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED: The year 1951 marked the end of a five-year possession of the property, which is the California Lutheran Home for the Aged. The report of the Board for the Home for the Aged will give you the details. It is a joy for the President of Synod, who is also the President of this Board of Directors, to report to Synod that all of the mortgaged indebtedness on the property of the Home has been paid and that the Home is free of all such indebtedness. If it were for this reason and this reason alone, it would be a cause for grateful thanksgiving at this Convention of Synod, but the Lord has given us opportunity to extend the mercy of His Church to the guests throughout another year and He has brought us to the close of the year when the Board of Directors has extended a call to The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D. to become the first full-time Executive Director of the Home. Thus, this Convention marks the beginning of a new era for the California Lutheran Home for the Aged, under a new full-time pastoral Executive Director. Your President requests that we give to this new fellow-laborer with us, in Christ Jesus, our whole hearted support and our continued prayers.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY: We have already made mention of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal. It is the wish of the President of Synod, at this time, to call attention to the tremendous steps that have been taken in the establishment of this Theological Seminary. Not only has the property been purchased, but a faculty called. The first President of this institution will be The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., D.D., formerly President of the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary. We are most fortunate to have this scholarly and talented leader in the Church for our first President, as the Seminary opens its doors this Fall for its first classes. From every indication, at this time, we should have a sizeable student body and your President would encourage all of the pastors in the Bay Area to take advantage of the possibility of using student pastors in each congregation throughout the year.

DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF SYNOD: For the first time, we shall have a report from the Executive Director of the Division of Church Extension of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, The Rev. Edward N. Spirer, D.D. Because of this I shall ask all of the delegates at this Convention to read the report of this Division of our Synod. A tremendous job is being done by this able and

devout pastor and his fellow laborers. I ask that we remember Dr. Spirer in our prayers and in the prayers of this Convention of Synod, that he may be strengthened to fulfill all of the demands that are coming upon him from so many directions.

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION: The members of our congregations have been so filled with the joy of sharing with those unfortunate individuals throughout the world, through the appeals of Lutheran World Action, that it has become a part of the life of our Synod to make this one of our privileges annually. I am sure that it is unnecessary for the President of Synod, at this time, to say a great deal about the demand for this ministry. I ask that each delegate return to his or her congregation and place once more upon the hearts of the membership of the congregations of Synod this opportunity of service through Lutheran World Action—Love's Working Arm.

1952 APPORTIONMENT: There are times when congregations become somewhat confused by the number of financial appeals that are brought to them. It was for this reason that Synod in Convention two years ago took action that the first financial appeal to congregations should be for Apportionment. Thus, the first Benevolent funds coming from any congregation should be for the paying of its Apportionment in full. I am sure that each of us understands the necessity of carrying out the basic needs of the whole Church, both throughout Synod and The United Lutheran Church in America, through the full payment of Apportionment. I would ask that this be re-established and restudied as a very definite part of the life of each congregation of Synod, that each congregation might **place first things first,** knowing that all other things will be added unto us.

THE AUXILIARIES: We are most fortunate in The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California to have three active auxiliaries: The Women's Missionary Society, the Luther League and the Brotherhood. The Women's Missionary Society is well established in all of our congregations and is playing a very vital part, not only in the development of the program nationally, but lending a hand to the Synod of California in its mission program. For all of these blessings received from the Women's Missionary Society, Synod wishes to express its deep gratitude.

The Luther League of America had for its appeal during the past biennium the establishment of a chapel for St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Honolulu, T. H. We are happy to report that the goal of $25,000 was reached and these funds are now being made available for St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Honolulu. For the part our own Luther Leaguers played in this program and for the surpassing of the quotas for this Synod, again your President of Synod wishes to express his deep appreciation, for not only the Synod but likewise for St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Honolulu.

The Brotherhood of Synod has not been active as a Synodical force but there has been a very active group in the Southern Conference and a somewhat active group in the Northern Conference. It is the desire of the President of Synod that an approach might be made, both North and South, in spite of the distance, to establish an effective Synodical Brotherhood. Thus, he places this challenge upon the hearts of the men of our Church.

BUSINESS SESSION OF JOINT LUTHERAN CONVENTION: As we meet in our Convention of Synod, the other Lutheran Bodies represented on this West Coast are likewise meeting and we shall have several Joint Sessions. They are listed as follows: Joint Women's Meeting, Tuesday, May 6, 2:00 p.m.; First Joint Session, Tuesday, May 6, 8:00 p.m.; Second Joint Session, Wednesday, May 7, 2:00 p.m.; Third Joint Session, Wednesday, May 7, 8:00 p.m. All Joint Sessions will be held in the First Methodist Church, 813 South Hope Street, Los Angeles. The Joint Convention Banquet will be held on Thursday, May 8, 7:00 p.m., at the Rodger Young Auditorium.

We shall have one business session on Wednesday afternoon, 2:00 p.m. and the following items will come before the united group for consideration:

1. Lutheran Welfare Councils
2. Lutheran Student Foundations
3. The "Western Lutheran"
4. Evangelism
5. Lutheran Unity

Your President of Synod would urge you to study the recommendations of the Executive Committee of Synod so that when they are approved at this Convention, they may be likewise presented as such at the Joint Business Session.

These union meetings give us opportunities for fellowship among those of the Lutheran Faith on this West Coast. Let us make the most of our opportunity in showing our Christian love for one another and in encouraging one another in the propagation of the faith that has been committed unto us by the Lord Jesus Christ, the chief Shepherd and Bishop of Souls.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA: It is the belief of the President of Synod that it is of the utmost importance that the pastors and delegates at the Convention, as it should be done annually by the pastors and delegates of each Convention returning from the Convention of Synod, re-explain to the congregations of Synod what Synod actually is. That we are a body of congregations, believers in Jesus Christ, our Saviour, walking together and doing His will in this area set aside as the territory of this Synod. Thus, Synod is not any individual or any group of individuals but a working force of all members, congregations working for the Kingdom.

THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA: For the first time, The United Lutheran Church in America will hold its Convention on the West Coast in Seattle, Wash., October 8-15, 1952. It is a glorious opportunity for this Synod to have the privilege of seeing The United Lutheran Church in operation in a Convention so near to us and thus your President urges every congregation to make it possible, either for its own pastor or for a pastor and layman to attend this Convention, in order that the full impact of this Convention might be felt in the life of each and every one of our congregations on this territory. Moreover, it is an opportunity for The United Lutheran Church in America to see the California Synod, for many of the pastors and lay delegates will arrange their itinerary to travel, either before or after the Convention, through the territory of Synod. It would be very helpful if the pastors and members of our congregations knowing the delegates were to write inviting them to visit this territory and especially their congregations. We should make every effort to give opportunity to the delegates to see the Lutheran Church as it has been developing on this West Coast, in this forward and victorious march of the Living Word throughout California, Arizona, Nevada, and the Hawaiian Islands. Your President urges that the delegates returning to the congregations would take the opportunity to explain The United Lutheran Church, likewise, to the congregations, that all of our people might understand the government of our Church and its democratic form; how we are members of congregations, congregations are members of Synod, and Synods are members of The United Lutheran Church in America, and The United Lutheran Church in America is a member of the Lutheran World Federation. This brings us to the point where we can announce again the Convention of the Lutheran World Federation, which is taking place in Hannover, Germany, the last of July and the first of August, during the summer of 1952. We should watch for every indication of actions coming from this Convention and pray for the deliberations of our world Church. God willing, the President of Synod, several pastors and lay people will be in attendance.

OUR PASTORS: Once more, your President of Synod would like to bring to the attention of the lay delegates and the congregations of Synod the task and the burden of the pastors of our congregations. As we are all aware, each pastor has felt the call of Almighty God for full-time service in His Church and thus he has been called to a congregation or a program of service in the Church itself. Because each congregation, the Synod, and the Church at large is a party to this call through which God brings His message, it is vitally incumbent upon each of us and each segment to bear our portion of love and responsibility to our pastors. In these days of fluctuations of the cost of living, the salaries of our pastors should be analyzed annually and increased where this is possible. The services for our pastors, parsonages, and cars, and other allowances should likewise be studied so that our pastors might be more effective in their ministry. There should be no need for our pastors giving time and attention to the material things of this life but rather they should be able to give their whole-hearted attention to the spiritual, for which they have dedicated their lives.

Your President of Synod would urge that congregations pray regularly, not only for their own pastor but likewise for the pastors of Synod, that they may remain faithful to the calling and be able to fulfill that ministry that has been committed unto them, with earnestness and zeal. It should also be understood that in the Lutheran Church, we believe in the priesthood of all believers, that the lay members of each congregation are likewise called to minister. Thus, as pastors and

people, we should take very seriously the responsibility that is ours in carrying out in that segment of the Church that has been committed unto us the commandment of our Lord to evangelize, as well as to show love and mercy, even as He is in our midst, walking, talking, and serving in and through us.

The pastors and lay members of our congregations make up the constituency of Synod. Represented, as they are, by delegates at the Conventions of Synod, they set up a working body by which the program of the congregations may be carried out, as God has indicated it unto us through His most Holy Word. Your President would call attention to the faithful service rendered by these whom the Convention has set aside, especially the Executive Committee of Synod. I know of no other year, during my incumbency, when the Executive Committee members have tried so diligently to study the whole program of the Church and to be guided by the Lord Himself in the actions taken. I know of no time when such unselfish service has been rendered and where each and every member has sought to give of his best to the Master in whole-hearted service for the cause of the whole Synod. Thus, I would like to express, as the President of Synod, my deep appreciation to every member of the Executive Committee.

Moreover, through the Executive Committee other workers carry out the program of Synod, such as the staff members in the office of the President of Synod. During the past year and during the illness of the President of Synod, the Synodical offices were transferred to the property next door to the First English Lutheran Church of Los Angeles, where the majority of the rooms on the first floor were made available for the Synod of California. For this, we are grateful to the congregation of First English Lutheran Church of Los Angeles and its very faithful pastor, The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D. It is in this new place that this wonderful staff has been working so faithfully during the past year in the whole program of Synod. It is not always possible for every member of every congregation to appreciate all that is done in a program like that of Synod's, but there have been elected the officers and the Executive Committee to look over such matters and these have been able to see the sacrifices that have been made and the willingness on the part of those to give of their best to the Lord in service. As your President of Synod, I would like to take this opportunity to express to each and every one of them not only the deep appreciation of the President of Synod, but likewise of all of Synod, congregations, pastors, and people, in all the areas of our constituency. In order to make it very personal, I list here their names: Wayne Pfundstein, Miss Mary Gammill, Miss Beverly Field. There are a number of others who have served from time to time on a part-time basis or have been brought in for special purposes, to all of these we include this expression of appreciation.

Moreover, during the closing months of the year, the Executive Committee made arrangements for the calling of The Rev. H. Paul Romeis to the office of Assistant to the President of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California. He did not wait until the beginning of his service at the first of the year but even during those trying days when your President was in the hospital he made himself available and gave himself unselfishly to the work of Synod while carrying his heavy tasks as pastor of one of our larger congregations. To him, likewise, must be given this word of appreciation, for it is extended in a sincere desire to convey to the constituency of Synod the consecration to service of this one whom you have arranged to have called to this high office. Since he has been installed during this Convention, let us not be unmindful of the need to hold up his arms and pray for him regularly, as we encourage you to pray for all those whom God has called and we have been responsible for in the carrying forth of His ministry on the territory that is ours.

There is one man that has been a glorious gift to the Synod of California. He is not an ordained pastor but I believe he has known more of the ordained pastors of Synod than any other layman in Synod. He is not an officer of the Synod, yet I am sure he knows more of the working of Synod over a period of years, than any man now living, for he has served as a member of the Executive Board for twenty-five years. I speak of Mr. Fritz C. Noel, who has given of himself in a glorious manner in the service of the Church over these years. Year after year, the Synod of California has elected him to this high office and expressed to him its confidence and he has lived up to it. Under many occasions, he has given unselfishly of the means that God has placed at his disposal to make possible the on-going program of His Church. This has been done in no small manner, especially during the last few years when we have been undergoing such great expansion. Many of our missions are reaping the blessings that have come from this man, either directly or indirectly,

as he has made financial contributions. All during this same time, Mr. Fritz C. Noel has been active in the California Lutheran Hospital Society, which manages the California Hospital and the Santa Monica Hospital and is now underway in the development of a new $2,000,000.00 hospital in San Diego. For the last ten years, he has been the President of this Hospital Society and thus he has not only confined his activity to the work of the Church itself but has given himself unselfishly through the ministry of mercy of the California Lutheran Hospital Society.

It is only fitting that as your President, I should call attention to the contribution that has been made by this great servant of our Lord, that we may not forget these deeds that were wrought and the seeds that were sown and ask God not only to bless him but that which has been placed under his leadership in good soil that it may bring forth much fruit in the salvation of souls in the years to come, and bring added blessings to the home and household of this great leader of the Church.

The recommendations of the President of Synod:

Your President recommends the following program for the balance of 1952 and the year of 1953, based upon the theme:

"A RESPONSIBLE CHURCH."

I. **It is the Responsibility of the Church to teach that which Christ committed unto her.**

It is the suggestion of the President of Synod that a vigorous program of Christian Catechetics be launched under the general program of the Synodical **Committee on Faith and Life,** and similar local committees to be set up in every congregation of Synod.

II. **It is the Responsibility of the Church to assist each member to understand, appreciate and be motivated in the extending of the Kingdom throughout the world.**

Since the auxiliaries of Synod are primarily Synodical organizations and since the Synod of California has a very active and consecrated auxiliary of women banded together in the Women's Missionary Society, it is recommended that the Synod of California request the Synodical Conferences and local Missionary Societies to accept the special responsibility for this period of a Synodical-wide program of Education in World Missions and that Synod encourage every woman connected with every congregation to become an active member of a Missionary Society.

III. **It is the Responsibility of the Church to plant the Church in new fields.**

The Synod of California has engaged, for the past decade, in a vigorous program of Home Missions. It is nothing new for your President to suggest a continuance of this, but the purpose of this particular recommendation is to broaden the base of the understanding, interest, and activity. He suggests that it be made a subject of study and action at every Church Council meeting; a member of each Church Council of each congregation be designated as the Secretary of Missions, with the responsibility to transmit to the Church Council monthly the information which shall be forwarded by the Synodical office and that the Church Council as a whole decide the action that shall be taken, to transmit the same information or take such action as may be required by the congregation.

IV. **It is the Responsibility of the Church to evangelize.**

The continuing program of every congregation always is one of Evangelism. The purpose of this proposal is to bring to each congregation the benefit of concerted actions:

a. If possible, that a National Lutheran Council-wide Crusade of Evangelism be set up.
b. If the above is impossible or in supplementing the above, that two periods of Evangelism be set aside in Synod.
   1. The period December, 1952, be designated as a Synodical Jubilee Month, with special emphasis on every member attending every service every Sunday during that month; that:
      December 7, be designated for Roll Call Sunday.
      December 14, be designated as Visitors Sunday.
      December 21, be designated as New Members Sunday.
      December 28, be designated as Synodical-wide Communion Sunday.

That a second period of Evangelism be set aside from the Season of Easter to Pentecost for a three-fold program:

a. An active attendance crusade.
b. A personal Evangelism effort.
c. A Reconsecration program.

V. **It is the Responsibility of the Church to practice Christian Stewardship.**

During the past decade, we have witnessed a resurgence of the practice of Christian Stewardship in our congregations and we are grateful to God for this. It is the purpose of this recommendation to extend the base and enlarge the benefits of a dynamic program of Christian Stewardship. To this end, we suggest that:

a. Church Councilmen's Rallies be held throughout Synod during the Fall of 1952, and the Fall of 1953, on a Christian Stewardship workshop basis, to give to the congregations the help and methods to meet their own Stewardship needs.

b. That subsequent to the Church Councilmen's Rallies, Congregational Rallies be held in each congregation, in which Christian Stewardship workshops will be set up, based upon the information gathered at the Church Councilmen's Rallies.

Your President submits the following statistical report of the President of Synod for the year 1951:

RESIGNATIONS:

April 1, 1951	The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, St. John's, Gardena
April 15, 1951	The Rev. Paul C. Wharton, Faith, Long Beach
May 15, 1951	The Rev. Everett J. Jensen, St. Paul's, Honolulu
May 28, 1951	The Rev. Franklin A. Swanson, Epiphany, San Leandro
September 15, 1951	The Rev. Willis J. Forsyth, Redeemer, El Monte
October 10, 1951	The Rev. Clifford B. Holand, St. Paul's, Santa Monica
October 14, 1951	The Rev. Frederick A. Bartelt, St. Mark's, Los Angeles
October 15, 1951	The Rev. Charles A. Miley, First, Fresno

INSTALLATIONS:

February 11, 1951	The Rev. Walter M. Stuhr, Our Saviour's, Alhambra
April 22, 1951	The Rev. C. H. Meyer, St. Andrew's, Van Nuys
May 27, 1951	The Rev. George Spindt, Our Saviour's, Tucson
June 10, 1951	The Rev. Eduards Lamberts, St. Paul's, Sanger
June 13, 1951	The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, St. John's, Gardena
July 15, 1951	The Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr., Epiphany, San Leandro
July 15, 1951	The Rev. Donald P. Mosling, Faith, Long Beach
October 7, 1951	The Rev. John G. Simmons, St. Matthew's, North Hollywood
October 21, 1951	The Rev. Charles A. Miley, St. Paul's, Sacramento
November 25, 1951	The Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen, Ascension, Baldwin Park

DISMISSALS:

April 12, 1951	The Rev. W. C. Miller, Rocky Mountain Synod
September 13, 1951	The Rev. Eugene Vosseler, Iowa Synod
November 9, 1951	The Rev. Frederick A. Bartelt, New Jersey Synod

DROPPED FROM THE MINISTRY:

October 1, 1951	The Rev. Thomas J. Daly

ORGANIZATION OF CONGREGATIONS:

February 4, 1951	United Lutheran Church of Redding, Redding
February 11, 1951	Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church of Azusa, Azusa
April 22, 1951	Faith Ev. Lutheran Church, Fresno
May 20, 1951	United Lutheran Church of Santa Ana, Santa Ana
June 3, 1951	Messiah Ev. Lutheran Church, Redwood City
June 24, 1951	Bethany Ev. Lutheran Church, San Jose
November 4, 1951	Ascension Ev. Lutheran Church, Baldwin Park

DEDICATIONS:

April 29, 1951	Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Pacific Beach, San Diego
July 8, 1951	St. James' Ev. Lutheran Church, Richmond
August 26, 1951	First Ev. Lutheran Church, San Diego (Service Center)
November 2, 1951	St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church, North Hollywood (Parsonage)
November 25, 1951	Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Manhattan Beach
December 2, 1951	Luther Memorial Lutheran Church, Burbank (Parsonage)

CALLS:

February 25, 1951	The Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr., Epiphany, San Leandro
May 1, 1951	The Rev. Eduards J. Lamberts, St. Paul's, Sanger
May 6, 1951	The Rev. Donald P. Mosling, Faith, Long Beach
August 5, 1951	The Rev. John G. Simmons, St. Matthew's, North Hollywood
September 2, 1951	The Rev. Charles A. Miley, St. Paul's, Sacramento

November 4, 1951	The Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen, Ascension, Baldwin Park
November 12, 1951	The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President of Synod
December 2, 1951	The Rev. George R. Flora, Bethany, San Jose
December 14, 1951	The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D., Executive Director of The California Lutheran Home for the Aged
December 16, 1951	The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, First, Fresno
December 16, 1951	The Rev. John B. Nield, Ph.D.

ORDINATIONS:

June 10, 1951	The Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr., St. Mark's, San Francisco
June 10, 1951	The Rev. George K. Attwood, St. Mark's San Francisco
June 17, 1951	The Rev. Eugene Vosseler, First, San Diego
June 17, 1951	The Rev. Charles J. Clark, First, Los Angeles
September 16, 1951	The Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen, Trinity, Long Beach

Thus, as I bring this report to a close, I am mindful of the contributions that have been made by everyone in Synod during the past year, both pastors and laymen. The work could not be done by any one or group of individuals but God has been gracious and good to bestow His favors and to Him we give all the honor and glory. He has brought to us many faithful individuals through whom His work could be done and thus there goes on and on the carrying forth of that which has been committed unto us and we pray that we may continue to be earnest in contending for that faith which was once delivered unto the saints and now in these latter days has been placed in our hands.

As an individual, I shall always be grateful to Synod and all the members of Synod for their prayers for me, personally, for God has heard those prayers and petitions in a remarkable way and has given to me many evidences of His blessings. Thus, I close this report of the year 1951, grateful to God for all His blessings; grateful to Synod that has made it possible for me to be part of the great Church of our blessed Lord; and grateful to every member, boy, girl, man, woman, of Synod for prayers and assistance, which have made it possible for me to have a new joy and hope of further service in the Kingdom of our blessed Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES PRINCE BEASOM, JR.

Motion prevailed that the Report of the President be received and referred to the Committee on the President's Report for adoption.

Th Rev. Henry Scherer presented the Report of the Statistician and pleaded for the cooperation of the Pastors in filling out their reports.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

Fathers and Brethren:

Once more I return to you the office with which you have honored me for eight years. It has been a holy privilege to serve you in this capacity, and to have the joy of recording in figures some of the evidences of the working of the Spirit of God in our midst. To Him be all the glory!

Most reports were prompt and accurate. One brother was good enough to enclose with his letter the last aspirin from the bottle of 100 he consumed in preparing his report. However, there were more tardy and more careless blanks than for some years. Please be good pastors with your parochial registers and report forms next year, those few of you who were negligent last year.

The first three reports were received from: 1. Fresno, Wartburg; Pastor John C. Bitter; 2. San Diego, St. Peter's; Pastor Vlad P. Benko; 3. a tie between Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's; Pastor Jack W. Glidewell and Los Angeles, Transfiguration; Pastor J. Emory Ackerman. First report from churches with over 300 communicants came from: 1. Los Angeles, First English; Pastor Albert B. Schwertz. FIVE REPORTS came to my desk the same day to tie for second place: North Hollywood, St. Matthew's; Pastor John G. Simmons; Phoenix, Ariz., Faith; Pastor Frank H. Clutz; Phoenix, Ariz., Grace; Pastor H. C. Lindsay; San Diego, First; Pastor Erwin A. Vosseler; Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour's; Pastor George A. Spindt.

The tardiest report came January 29 from Honolulu, Pearl Harbor; Pastor Waldemar G. Hintz.

Some of the increases over 1950:

Child Accessions	121
Adult Accessions	174

Considering that seven new missions had 362 child accessions and 603 adult accessions, it does not seem that our established congregations worked too hard at evangelism.

Baptized membership grew 2.923 or 8.7% to reach 36,182
Confirmed membership grew 1,696 or 7.62% to reach 23,961
Communing membership grew 1,177 or 7.46% to reach 16,960

Other increases include:

Women's groups	15	(members)	244
Mixed groups	7	(members)	185
Young people's groups	7	(members)	355
Catechumens	256		
Sunday Schools	7		
Staff members	128		
Pupils	1088		
Nursery roll	106		
Seminary Students	4		

Property value	$533,107
Debt grew but	116,059
Apportionment	25,927
Total expenditures	127,701

Losses are indicated as follows:

Men's groups	(members)	54
Sunday School home department		74
Deaconess candidates	(none now studying)	1
Students in Lutheran Colleges		9
Students in other colleges		16

May God continue to bless us in 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHERER

The report was adopted.

CALIFORNIA SYNOD GROWTH

Year	Commun. Member	Member Gain	(%)	Rank in ULCA	Apportmt. Paid	Rank in ULCA
1951	16,960	1,177	7.46		141,995	
1950	15,783	1,264	8.71	16	116,068	13
1949	14,519	1,083	8.06	15	106,565	10
1948	13,436	861	6.85	15(tie)	100,307	13
1947	12,575	1,800	16.80	18	58,637	14

Year	No. of Churches	Rank in ULCA	S.S. Pupils	Property Value	Total Expends.	Rank in ULCA
1951	79		13,013	5,283,085	1,266,779	
1950	72	17	11,925	4,649,978	1,139,078	12
1949	66	16	9,683	4,164,863	1,077,984	12
1948	61	16	8,346	3,803,306	941,696	11
1947	59	16	7,751	2,923,529	759,155	10

COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP:

		1.	Glendale	1005
		2.	Phoenix, Grace	946
		3.	Los Angeles, First	900
		4.	Sacramento, St. John's	862
&		5.	Richmond, Grace	570
&		6.	Long Beach, Trinity	539
L	—	7.	Hollywood	518
&		8.	Phoenix, Faith	501
—		9.	Inglewood	444
—		10.	Pasadena	430
&		11.	Huntington Park	367
L	&	Tie	North Hollywood	367
L	—	13.	San Francisco, St. Mark's	350
&		14.	Tucson	339
&		15.	San Diego, First	332
L	—	16.	Los Angeles, Advent	328
L	—	17.	Santa Monica	309
&		18.	Sacramento, First	293
&		19.	Alhambra, Grace	282
&		Tie	San Diego, Christ's	282
—		21.	San Bernardino	278
L	—	22.	Oakland, First	275
		23.	Berkeley	273
&		24.	Whittier	264
&		25.	San Mateo	240
L	—	26.	Fresno, First	230
—		27.	Vallejo	225
—		28.	Riverside	220
&		29.	San Leandro	202
—		30.	San Jose, Grace	194
—		31.	Culver City	190
—		32.	Beverly Hills	177
—		33.	Altadena	171
&		34.	Burbank	160
&		35.	Lakewood	159
		Tie	Westwood	159
&		37.	La Canada	157
—		38.	Santa Barbara	146
—		39.	Fresno, St. Paul's	145
&		Tie	Monterey Park	145
&		41.	Los Angeles, Transfiguration	138
—		42.	Honolulu, Honolulu	134
&		Tie	Van Nuys	134
—		44.	San Francisco, St. Matthew's	132
—		45.	Reno	124
—		46.	Oakland, St. John's	120
&		47.	San Diego, St. Peter's	115
—		48.	San Fernando	111
&		49.	Pomona	103
L	—	50.	Los Angeles, St. Mark's	100
&		Tie	San Francisco, Temple	100
		52.	Gardena	99
		53.	Redlands	95
&		Tie	Richmond, St. James	95
New		Tie	Santa Ana	95
L	—	56.	San Francisco, First	94
—		57.	Manhattan Beach	85
New		58.	Baldwin Park	84
New		49.	San Jose, Bethany	83
L	—	60.	Long Beach, Faith	75
New		61.	Fresno, Faith	71
—		62.	Honolulu, St. Paul's	70
&		63.	Alhambra, Our Saviour's	67

Key to Symbols:

& Gain in comparative standing.

— Loss in comparative standing.

* Not in last year's first ten.

L Loss in actual membership.

	L	—	64. Sacramento, St. Paul's	66
	L	—	65. Yreka	55
	—		66. El Monte	54
	L	—	67. Los Angeles, Bethany	50
	—		Tie Richmond, Harbor Gate	50
New			69. Redwood City	48
	L	—	70. Sanger	45
New			71. Azusa	40
New			72. Redding	39
	—		73. Lihue	38
	—		74. Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	34
	L	—	Tie Las Vegas	34
	—		76. Globe	32
	L	—	77. Fresno, Wartburg	30
	L	—	78. Norco	29
	L	—	79. Central Valley	18
			TOTAL	16,960

COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP GAINS

New	*		1. Santa Ana	95
			2. Phoenix, Faith	89xx
New	*		3. Baldwin Park	84
New	*		4. San Jose, Bethany	83
	&	*	5. Whittier	82xx
	—		6. Phoenix, Grace	79
	—		7. Sacramento, St. John's	75
*	&		8. Lakewood	73xx
	*		Tie San Leandro	73xxx
New	*		10. Fresno, Faith	71
	—		11. Van Nuys	60xx
New			12. Redwood City	48
	—		13. San Diego, Christ's	47xx
	—		14. San Mateo	45xx
	&		15. Monterey Park	41xx
	—		16. Los Angeles, First	40
	New		Tie Azusa	40
New			18. Redding	39
	&		Tie Tucson	39
	—		20. Berkeley	38x
	&		21. La Canada	35xx
	&		22. San Diego, St. Peter's	30xx
	&		23. Pomona	26xx
	—		24. Los Angeles, Transfiguration	25xx
	—		25. Richmond, St. James	24xx
	&		26. Westwood	21x
	—		27. Burbank	20x
	&		28. Alhambra, Grace	19
	—		Tie Inglewood	19
	&		30. Vallejo	18
	—		31. Culver City	15
	&		32. Alhambra, Our Saviour's	14xx
	—		33. Sacramento, First	13
	&		34. Gardena	12x
	—		Tie Long Beach, Trinity	12
	&		Tie San Jose, Grace	12
	—		Tie Richmond, Grace	12
			38. Riverside	10
	&		39. Beverly Hills	9
	—		Tie Honolulu, St. Paul's	9x
	—		Tie San Bernardino	9
	&		42. Redlands	8
	&		43. San Francisco, Temple	6
	—		44. Altadena	5
	—		Tie Globe	5x

Key to Symbols:

& Gain in comparative standing.

— Loss in comparative standing.

* Not in last year's first ten.

L Loss in actual membership.

x 10% gain

xx 20% gain

xxx 50% gain

&	Tie Manhattan Beach	5
—	Tie Oakland, St. John's	5
	Tie Pasadena	5
—	49. Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	4x
&	Tie Honolulu, Honolulu	4
&	Tie El Monte	4
—	52. Lihue	3
&	Tie Santa Barbara	3
—	54. Huntington Park	2
—	Tie Reno	2
—	56. San Fernando	1
	TOTAL	1,667

NO GAINS:

Fresno, St. Paul's
Richmond, Harbor Gate
San Francisco, St. Matthew's
San Diego, First

LOSSES:

—	1. Santa Monica	76
—	2. Hollywood	66
	3. Los Angeles, Bethany	50
—	4. Los Angeles, St. Mark's	38
—	Tie Las Vegas	38
—	6. Sacramento, St. Paul's	35
—	7. Fresno, First	30
—	Tie Long Beach, Faith	30
—	9. Oakland, First	29
—	10. San Francisco, St. Mark's	25
—	11. Glendale	21
—	12. Los Angeles, Advent	14
	13. Central Valley	12
—	14. Sanger	9
—	15. San Francisco, First	6
—	16. Yreka	4
—	Tie Norco	4
	18. Fresno, Wartburg	3
	19. North Hollywood	1
	TOTAL	491
	NET GAIN	1,176

PERCENTAGE COMMUNING:

				%
	&	G	1. San Mateo	98.43
	&	G	2. Pomona	97.17
	—	L	3. Phoenix, Grace	96.24
*	&	G	4. Lakewood	95.78
	*	G	5. Phoenix, Faith	95.43
*	New		6. Santa Ana	94.06
	—	L	7. Norco	93.55
*	&	G	8. Altadena	93.44
*	&	G	9. Honolulu, St. Paul's	93.33
	—	L	10. San Diego, Christ's	93.07
	—	G	11. Richmond, Harbor Gate	90.90
	—	G	12. Reno	89.86
	&	G	13. Richmond, St. James	89.62
	&	G	14. Las Vegas	89.47
New			15. Redding	89.13
	—	L	16. San Francisco, First	88.68
	&	G	17. Los Angeles, St. Mark's	88.50

Key to Symbols:
G Gain in percentage
L Loss in percentage
& Gain in comparative standing
— Loss in comparative standing
* Not in last year's first ten.

	—	G	18.	Glendale	85.90
	&	G	19.	Central Valley	85.45
New			20.	San Jose, Bethany	84.69
	—	G	21.	Culver City	84.44
	—	L	22.	Oakland, First	84.06
	—	L	23.	Los Angeles, Advent	83.25
	—	G	24.	Sacramento, St. John's	82.88
	—	G	25.	San Leandro	82.11
	&	G	26.	Monterey Park	81.01
	—	L	27.	Alhambra, Our Saviour's	79.76
	—	L	28.	Richmond, Grace	79.72
	—	G	29.	San Bernardino	79.66
	—	L	30.	Inglewood	79.00
	—	G	31.	Santa Barbara	78.49
	&	G	32.	Vallejo	78.40
New			33.	Fresno, Faith	78.02
			34.	Westwood	75.56
	&	G	35.	Berkeley	76.19
	—	L	36.	Sacramento, First	74.55
	&	G	37.	Globe	74.42
	—	L	38.	La Canada	74.06
	—	L	39.	San Fernando	74.00
	—	G	40.	Whittier	73.95
New			41.	Baldwin Park	73.68
	—	L	42.	North Hollywood	72.82
	—	L	43.	Tucson	72.13
	&	G	44.	Van Nuys	72.04
	—	L	45.	Pasadena	71.91
	—	G	46.	San Francisco, Temple	70.92
	—	L	47.	Los Angeles, Transfiguration	68.66
	—	L	48.	Huntington Park	67.84
	—	L	49.	Alhambra, Grace	66.98
	—	G	50.	Honolulu, Honolulu	65.69
	—	L	51.	Manhattan Beach	65.38
	—	L	52.	Oakland, St. John's	64.51
	—	L	53.	Long Beach, Trinity	64.17
	—	L	54.	Sacramento, St. Paul's	64.08
	—	L	55.	Burbank	62.16
	—	L	56.	San Jose, Grace	60.82
	—	L	57.	Los Angeles, First	60.29
		G	58.	San Diego, St. Peter's	60.21
	—	L	59.	Santa Monica	59.88
	—	G	60.	Redlands	59.01
New			61.	Azusa	58.82
	—	L	62.	Fresno, First	56.79
	—	G	63.	Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	56.67
New			64.	Redwood City	56.47
	—	L	65.	Yreka	55.00
	—	L	66.	Hollywood	54.89
	—	G	67.	Riverside	53.92
	—	L	68.	Long Beach, Faith	53.57
	—	L	69.	El Monte	52.94
	—	L	70.	San Diego, First	50.46
	—	G	71.	Beverly Hills	50.72
	—	L	72.	San Francisco, St. Matthew's	50.00
	—	L	73.	Gardena	48.29
	—	L	74.	San Francisco, St. Mark's	46.67
	—	L	75.	Lihue	46.34
	—	L	76.	Sanger	37.50
	—	G	77.	Fresno, St. Paul's	35.45
	—	L	78.	Los Angeles, Bethany	27.32
	—	L	79.	Fresno, Wartburg	17.75
				Average for Synod	70.76

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP IN CALIFORNIA SYNOD

Year	Churches with membership of: 100-199	200-299	300 and up	Largest Congregation	
1892	4	2	0	San Francisco, First Eng.	260
1896	6	0	0	Los Angeles, First Eng.	190
1901	2	3	0	San Francisco, First Eng.	237
1906	2	0	0	San Francisco, First Eng.	182
1911	2	1	2	Los Angeles, First Eng.	369
1916	8	1	4	San Francisco, St. Mark's	549
1921	9	1	3	San Francisco, St. Mark's	1327
1926	12	3	1	Fresno, St. Paul's	346
1931	12	3	1	Hollywood	315
1936	14	4	1	Hollywood	368
1941	13	7	3	Hollywood	507
1946	13	8	14	Glendale	802
1951	22	12	17	Glendale	1005

SOME COMPARISONS

1941		1951
14,533	Baptized Members	36,182
9,774	Confirmed Members	23,961
5,615	Communing Members	16,960
38	Congregations	79
560	Catechumens	2,530
4,613	Sunday School Scholars	13,013
$14,389	Apportionment Paid	$ 141,995
$195,575	Total Expenditures	$1,266,779
$154,890	Indebtedness	$1,144,522
$1,175,131	Property Value	$5,555,885

	Number of Confirmed Members Not Communing	Percentage of Confirmed Members Not Communing
1951	7,001	29.24%
1950	6,472	29.08
1949	6,058	29.44
1948	5,913	31.08
1947	5,219	29.33
1946	5,574	34.09

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP OF AVERAGE CONGREGATION

Year	ULCA	% Communing	Gain over Last year	Calif. Synod	% Communing	Gain over Last Year
1941	204	67.41	2	148	57.42	2
1942	205	67.11	1	154	58.17	6
1943	207	66.76	2	173	58.37	19
1944	211	66.91	4	188	60.35	15
1945	215	67.06	4	195	62.59	7
1946	224	68.26	9	207	65.91	12
1947	225	68.01	1	213	70.67	6
1948	227	69.06	2	220	68.92	7
1949	230	69.42	3	220	70.56	0
1950	234	69.59	4	219	70.92	—1
1951				215	70.76	—4

CHURCH BUILDINGS are owned by 63 of our 79 congregations.
PARSONAGES are owned by 54 of our 79 congregations.
DEBT FREE CONGREGATIONS number 19 out of 79 churches.
(Seven of these 19 have neither church nor parsonage.)

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH

It is always difficult at the end of a year to determine with accuracy the true "state of the Church" in our California Synod or in any Synod. The true "state of the Church" is an inner, spiritual condition, which cannot be derived from any statistical calculation, but rather must be sensed or felt. This is indeed an illusive criterion, and depends upon a number of variable factors—the personal bias of the individuals making the report, the extent of their contact with the pastors of Synod, the breadth and depth of their knowledge as to the consecration and attitudes of the members of the congregations of Synod, as well as their ability to weigh their impressions and to express them accurately. Any report of this nature must be considered in view of these conditions.

Our Synod received a tremendous shock when our President, Dr. James P. Beasom was suddenly stricken with illness. A wave of insecurity and bewilderment swept through the hearts of our pastors and people. Our leader, the man upon whom rested so much of the responsibility for the integrated working of our Synod, the man whose enthusiasm had so often lifted us beyond the barriers of timidity, the man whose dynamic personality had continually challenged us to see the greater vision, was confined to his bed in serious condition. There was, throughout the Synod, a feeling of uncertainty.

However, as the first impact diminished and as Dr. Beasom improved, there was a determination evidenced in our churches, perhaps even stronger than before, to march forward and to accomplish those tasks set before us. This has been indeed wholesome, proving that as a Synod we are maturing, and that we are not only able to glory in triumph but to be strong in tragedy as well.

At the special convention of Synod held in Berkeley there was expressed a real desire to carry through the program for establishing the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary on a firm financial basis. No one was unaware that this would be a large task and would require the sacrificial effort of all our congregations, yet the feeling was that "this must be done!" Especially did the laymen present indicate their progressive spirit. It is a good sign that at times it appears that the lay delegates are not following, but rather leading, their clerical brethren. The feeling that we are just beginning to do the work God has given us to do in this expanding territory is indeed a healthful indication.

The increased Activity of the Faith and Life Committee under the able leadership of Pastor Frank Clutz points to the fact that we are becoming more and more concerned about the inner life of our Synod. Self-examination is good for the soul, and that applies to a Synod as well as to individuals. The constructive criticism and the helpful suggestions of this committee point to an awareness on the part of our Synod that above all it must be strong on the inside.

The Report of the Statistician shows that we have grown measurably in numbers and in stewardship. In these gains we should rejoice, and give thanks to God for His strength and guidance. The figures tell us that our Sunday Schools are moving forward. However, in the matter of communing percentage we notice a slight drop. This should be of real concern to all pastors. We dare not be satisfied when less than three-fourths of our people are coming to the Lord's Table during the year. The gap between communing membership and confirmed membership should be closing rather than widening, and we cannot rest when we know that 7,001 individuals in our Synod failed to receive Holy Communion.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT S. ROMEIS, Chairman
JOHN C. BITTER
WALTER STUHR

The report was adopted.

The Report of the Historian was presented by the Rev. John Edward Hoick, D.D.

The report was adopted.

The Report of the Director of Church Extension was adopted and Dr. Edward N. Spirer was presented to the Convention.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1951

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$28,163.05	
Notes receivable	3,065.00	
Accounts receivable	83.20	
Material inventory	2,041.03	
Construction account	11,520.60	
Total current assets		$44,872.88
Fixed Assets		
Automotive equipment	$ 2,184.10	
Construction equipment	2,023.32	
Furniture and fixtures	879.01	
		$ 5,086.43
Prepaid charges		
Insurance Deposits		393.00
		$50,352.31

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Notes payable	$10,000.00	
Withholding and payroll taxes	1,725.97	
Building accounts	26,332.56	
		$38,059.53
Net Worth		
Balance — January 1, 1951	11,855.84	
Net increase	437.94	
		12,293.78
		$50,352.31

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Statement of Income and Expenses

Twelve months ended December 31, 1951

Income		
Church Extension Receipts		$13,864.16
Expenses		
Accounting service	$ 600.00	
Auto and truck expense	1,008.23	
Federal Old Age Contributions	251.90	
Insurance	197.37	
Interest	150.00	
Miscellaneous	7.48	
Office expenses	494.98	
Pension contributions	96.00	
Repairs to equipment	36.12	
Salaries and wages	6,700.00	
Supplies	40.83	
Telephone	246.61	
Travel	2,465.91	
Utilities	70.00	
		$12,365.43
Operational gain		1,498.73
Allowance on construction		1,060.79
Net increase		$ 437.94

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Statement of Construction Costs

Twelve months ended December 31, 1951

	Construction in progress Dec. 31, 1950	Construction cost paid in 1951	Reimbursement from Churches	Construction in progress Dec. 31, 1951
Alhambra, Infirmary	.....	$ 8,699.28	$ 6,551.54	$ 2,147.74
Alhambra, Our Saviour's	.....	8,974.94	5,586.40	3,388.54
Baldwin Park, Ascension	.....	325.02	.....	325.02
Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills	115.18	702.57	817.75	.....
Long Beach, Lakewood	.....	415.91	415.91	.....
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	.....	57.00	.....	57.00
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	.....	28,058.07	27,206.74	851.33
Norwalk, St. John's	.....	7,632.14	7,632.14	.....
Redlands, First	.....	365.93	.....	365.93
Reno, Good Shepherd	.....	1,500.00	.....	1,500.00
Richmond, Grace	.....	21,701.90	21,701.90	.....
Richmond, St. James'	1,458.75	28,514.80	29,973.55	.....
San Diego, Christ	.....	12,937.32	12,937.32	.....
San Francisco, Sunset	473.59	11,190.02	11,663.61	.....
San Leandro, Epiphany	3,849.61	.....	3,849.61	.....
San Jose, Bethany	.....	2,869.91	.....	2,869.91
Tucson, Our Saviour's	.....	15.13	.....	15.13
	$ 5,897.13	$133,959.94	$128,336.47	$ 11,520.60

The motion prevailed that the BASIC RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA as included in the Executive Committee Report (page 23 of the pre-print) be adopted.

BASIC RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE
DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION OF THE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA OF THE
UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

1. It shall be understood that no work shall be performed without the written request for the use of the Division by a congregation or a church council at which a quorum is present, in which request there shall exist a statement that these rules have been read and are understood and that the congregation is willing to abide faithfully by them during the period of construction.
2. Should there exist at any time during the period of construction a desire by the congregation to be released from this written understanding, it shall be the duty of the congregation to give written notice to the President of Synod at least two weeks before such shall take effect; a copy of such written notice shall be sent to the Director of the Division of Church Extension.
3. The Division agrees to erect the church building, buildings or parsonage, according to plans and specifications. Any deviation from these shall have the written approval of:

    1. The Chairman of the Building Committee
    2. The Pastor of the Congregation
    3. The Supervising Architect
    4. The Director of the Division
    5. The President of Synod

    Such written notice must be filed with the President of Synod before the change is made.
4. A copy of all correspondence relative to the building or buildings during the period of construction must be sent to the President of Synod, as well as the Director of the Division.

5. There shall be set up a Building Escrow account from which payments are to be made to the Synod as follows:

   1/6 of the amount set up for construction (including the unforeseen extra funds) to be paid upon the breaking of ground; 1/3 of the same fund to be paid when the foundations are completed; 1/3 of the same fund to be paid when the building or buildings are enclosed; the balance needed to complete payment when the building is accepted and the congregation is given the use of the structure.

6. In the computation of costs of construction the following shall be accepted:
   a. For all building or buildings under $50,000 in estimated cost by the Division a $500 fee will be charged for the use of the Division plus 10 per cent of the actual cost of construction, verified by invoices or labor statements.
   b. For all building or buildings over $50,000 the 10 per cent charge will be made as above, but no fee for the use of the Division will be made.

7. Should the relationship with the Division terminate before the construction has been completed, then there shall be a fee of $500 charged and 10 per cent of all costs based on invoices and labor statements.

8. It shall be understood that no agreements exist that are not in writing and filed in the office of the President of Synod. All verbal agreements, no matter how or when made, shall be considered void unless followed by a written agreement filed with the President of Synod and approved by him.

9. It shall be agreed that no funds may be expended from the Building Escrow Account other than those for the construction of the building as directed above unless they have the approval in writing of either the President of Synod or the Director of the Division and such agreement filed in the office of the President of Synod.

10. It shall be understood that there will be an additional charge of 10 per cent on all charges unpaid within two weeks of notice given to the congregation that payment is due, unless there is a written release for such payment given by the President of Synod.

11. Synod agrees to cooperate with the congregation to make such savings as may be possible by the use of gifts, donated labor, special discounts, etc., as long as these are in conformity with the plans and specifications or may be in accord with such agreements as listed in Rule No. 3.

12. Synod agrees to fulfill its part by the erection of a building according to plans and specifications or covered by agreements of Rule No. 3 within the funds set aside for construction in the building escrow, including the funds for the unforeseen extras, or covered with funds found in the agreement on Rule No. 3, upon the understanding that these funds are at least sufficient to cover the estimate made by the Division.

13. It shall further be understood that Synod will make such repairs as may be necessary, due to faulty material or workmanship, providing such items are listed and sent to the President of Synod, with a copy to the Director of the Division, within sixty days after the buildings have been accepted by the congregation.

14. A formal letter of acceptance of the building or buildings must be sent to the President of Synod prior to the use of the building or buildings by the congregation, unless covered by a further written agreement with the President of Synod.

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This is to certify that we have read, understood, and agree to abide by the above rules and in so doing make application to the Division of Church Extension of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of California for the use of the Division in the erection of our proposed.....

Date.....195.....

.....Lutheran Church

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SEAL City State

..... President

..... Secretary

The Report of the Committee on the Constitution was presented by the Rev. Frederick A. Smith, Th.D.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS

The Committee on Constitutions has received, examined, and found proper the constitutions submitted by:

Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church, San Jose, Calif.
Ascension Lutheran Church, Baldwin Park, Calif.
Faith Lutheran Church, Fresno, Calif.
United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redding, Calif.
Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood City, Calif.
United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Santa Ana, Calif.
Calvary Lutheran Church, Azusa, Calif.
Peace Latvian Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, Calif.

We also submit the redraft of the proposed revision of the Constitution of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. FREDERICK A. SMITH, Chairman
REV. A. J. SOLDAN
PAUL BRECKENRIDGE

The report was adopted.

The motion prevailed that a telegram be sent to the Rev. H. C. Lindsay who is undergoing an operation today, assuring him of the sympathies and prayers of the Convention.

The motion prevailed that a telegram be sent to the Florida Synod, now in Convention, expressing to them the Synod's greetings and good wishes.

The motion prevailed that copies of minutes of all sessions be airmailed to the Pastors in Hawaii.

The Report of the Examining Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee held 5 meetings during the year 1951. Among the activities were: the examination in theology of 5 candidates for ordination, interview of 15 pastors seeking transfer to the Synod, a detailed study of the proposed new constitution of the Synod, preparation of a questionnaire for use in acquainting the members of the examining committee with candidates for ordination and pastors seeking transfer to this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD OSLUND, Chairman
HOWARD A. ANSPACH, D.D.
DWIGHT L. MILEY
ERWIN A. VOSSELER
R. BERTRAM REED
H. C. LINDSAY

The Report of the Finance Committee was adopted.

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met on several occasions during the past year to study the financial needs and to survey the possible sources of income. Moreover, it made careful consideration of all the requests that were brought before the Finance Committee by other Lutheran activities on the territory of Synod as well as the institutions that have been supported by Synod through the years. It prepared the budget for 1951 and is in the process of preparing the budget for 1952.

During the year, the increased demands upon the Synod, caused by the establishment of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, were given particular con-

sideration. Following the instructions of the Special Convention of Synod, a financial program was set up for the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal for $250,000. A Director was called and an office established.

It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that every pastor and congregation give the Seminary Appeal an opportunity to present itself and the full program to every member.

Your Finance Committee asks your careful and serious study of the final results of receipts and expenditures as shown elsewhere in this bulletin, for the year of 1951. While there is much to be thankful for there still remains the continued needs of Synod particularly as it pertains to the Mission program.

This committee urges all pastors and lay leaders to keep before their people the benevolence program in order that they might understand more fully its true meaning. Properly understood this report is not merely dollars and buildings but means the carrying out of God's Command to build His Church. As our congregation's understanding increases, their willingness to participate also will increase and thus greater works may be done.

The Finance Committee calls to the attention of the Convention of Synod the action of a former Convention of Synod to the effect that the primary Benevolence Appeal to every congregation be the Apportionment. That is, the Apportionment shall be paid in full before any other Benevolences should be taken from the treasuries of congregations.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO JOHNSTON, Chairman
H. PAUL ROMEIS
CARL A. BELL

The following reports were adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

By the grace and the mercy of almighty God the work of the Women of the Church stressing Worship, Membership and Stewardship has moved forward to a glorious realization of their prayers.

For many years the women of the Church have been the Strong Right Arm of Synod and their influence has been definitely felt throughout the territory. With Christ-like determination and inspired vigor they have accomplished the seemingly impossible, ever trusting that "With God all Things are Possible." So, they have earnestly endeavored to fulfill the command of the Master, "Go."

In addition to the support of Missions both at home and abroad, they have contributed liberally and substantially to the California Lutheran Home for the Aged and, as a special project, helped finance a number of new missions on the field of the California Synod.

In addition other faithful women throughout the Church labor in many fields; the Sunday School, the Luther League and in Choirs, ever doing the one thing needful: and your committee highly commends these loyal souls for their unfailing love of the Kingdom and the Master, their Saviour.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. HEINECKEN, Chairman
CLARENCE F. CROUSER

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

The Women's Fellowship is entering its fifth year of service for the California Lutheran Home. As we look back upon a year of wonderful progress and attainment, we gratefully acknowledge the blessings and guidance of our Lord and Saviour in all our efforts.

The membership of our Chapters, Los Angeles, Bay Area, San Diego, Valley and Fresno now total over one thousand. All chapters work under a unified program, that of bringing spiritual and material aid to our needy aged, and to render helpful service to the California Lutheran Home. The Synodical Director correlates the work of the Chapters and promotes its extension. The congregational Key Women exercise an active and important part in promoting the work in all the congregations of Synod.

Mrs. Carsten N. Alm, Los Angeles, was appointed to the office of Synodical Memorial Chairman and will supervise the department of memorials for the entire Fellowship.

The progress made in the building of the new Infirmary was the greatest event of the year. The cornerstone was laid on October 7th, presided over by The Rev. Edward N. Spirer, D.D., who also brought the message. All chapters participated in a special Christmas gift ingathering for the completion of the building and furnishings. To this Infirmary Fund project the Chapters have made a total contribution to date of $3,336.31 with a goal to have it dedicated debt free.

A Thanksgiving ingathering of canned foods was again promoted this year, and approximately 2,600 cans and packages of food were received.

The Los Angeles Chapter continues to maintain a $500.00 emergency fund and has increased its maintenance contribution to the Home from $100.00 to $150.00 per month.

Many new names have been recorded in our Memorial Book of Remembrance at the Home. The total received from Memorials of all Chapters this year was $1,342.35. This has been given to the Maintenance Fund for the Home. Many other gifts for the Home have been received and are gratefully acknowledged.

This year the "Sunset Herald" was established as the official organ of the Home. To Mrs. Charles Izenour, Editor, the Fellowship acknowledges a grateful and heartfelt thanks.

Several hundred people enjoyed a memorial Open House and Spring Festival of Song at the Home on May 30th. The Rev. Orval Awerkamp led a "Singspiration." Chaplain, the Rev. Wm. Blough, brought the Memorial message for the day.

Many societies and organizations held their meetings at the Home during the year. The Los Angeles Fellowship through its fine Promotional Chairman, Mrs. J. P. Beasom, encourages societies and organizations to hold their meetings at the Home for the pleasure of the guests. They are urged also to remember the guests on holidays with special favors and treats.

The Los Angeles Chapter held its annual membership luncheon on February 22 at Salem Lutheran Church, Glendale, with 289 present. The Valley Chapter held its annual membership luncheon on January 22 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Riverside with a fine attendance. Bay Area had its annual membership meeting on March 9 at St. Matthew's Church, San Francisco with 200 present. San Diego has set its annual meeting date for June 26.

I have had the joy and pleasure of attending all these meetings and have witnessed the spirit of interest and love in furthering His Kingdom, in this particular field. I am humbly grateful that I have been permitted to serve the Lord in this capacity.

May God continue to bless the work of the Women's Fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DORCAS T. DENTMAN, Director

The Report of the Committee on the Lutheran was presented by the Rev. Eldon Miller. He reported that the circulation of the Lutheran has increased to 120,000.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE LUTHERAN

During 1951 The Lutheran Synodical Plan was in effect during the three month period of October, November, and December. During this time the yearly subscription rate was reduced from $3.50 a year to $2.00. To qualify for this $2.00 rate a parish needed to submit a minimum of ten subscriptions on its original order.

The last report received, dated January 15, 1952, shows 54 congregations participating with a total of 2148 subscriptions received. This represents thus far an increase of more than 40 per cent over the previous year when 38 congregations participated and 1523 subscriptions were received. Final reports will, therefore, show at least 16 new congregations participating with at least 625 new subscriptions received.

Seven churches reported 100 per cent. This means that every family in these churches is now receiving **The Lutheran.**

We of the California Synod Lutheran Committee wish to thank those of you who cooperated so splendidly with our synod's "Lutheran Synodical Plan." We also want to thank those of you who tried your best but just couldn't "make it" this year.

We feel that the final results will show what can be done when each of us gets behind a movement. Perhaps, you may think our synod should have done better . . . Nevertheless, the seed has been sown. All of our members now know about **The Lutheran.** Better yet, a greater percentage than ever will be regular readers which will reflect itself in a more interested lay membership.

Respectfully submitted,

ELDON R. MILLER, Chairman
GLEN O. BALSLEY
GUY L. HUDSON
LEO S. JOHNSTON

The report was adopted.

The motion prevailed that the Synod waive the clause in the Constitution and allow the following pastors the privilege of voting:

The Rev. Edward J. Mattson.
The Rev. Elwood Schwenk
The Rev. Paul Wharton
The Rev. Frederick A. Smith

The motion prevailed that the time of this session be extended five minutes.

The motion prevailed that the rules be suspended and that nominations for lay delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America Convention be received from the floor. The following were nominated:

Eugene Hoeftman.....S.
John E. Miller.....N.
Robert Brammer.....S.
Robert J. Miller.....S.
Robert Cummings.....S.
Howard A. Weisman.....S.
W. C. Lebold.....S.
Gilbert E. Olson.....S.
Glenn Clementson.....S.
John A. Titlow.....S.
Howard A. Logan.....S.
Harold Berry.....N.
Ronnie Gower.....N.
Leo Johnston.....N.
Garnett Grieve.....N.
George F. Kohb.....N.
Robert Inslee.....S.
Joe Enghorn.....S.
F. C. Noel.....S.
George Kohl.....N.
Ritz Heerman.....S.

The motion prevailed that the nominations be closed.

The motion prevailed that the time of the first session be extended to 12 noon.

The following were introduced to the Convention and welcomed:

Dr. Charles B. Foelsch.
Dr. O. W. Ebright.

A request was granted that the Rev. Thomas Allport from Lihue Lutheran Church, Lihue, and the Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz from Pearl Harbor Lutheran Church of Honolulu be allowed five minutes. They presented Mr. Ira Basehore, the lay delegate from Honolulu Lutheran Church, Honolulu. Dr. Beasom, Pastors Tambert, Ross Hidy and H. Paul Romeis were presented floral leis from Honolulu.

REPORT OF HAWAII PASTORS' COMMITTEE

At the suggestion of the president of synod, the Hawaii Pastors' Committee was formed in April, 1950. Composed of the four pastors serving in the Islands and Dr. Arthur Hormann, pastor emeritus, the purpose of the committee, because of the isolated situation of Hawaii, has been four-fold: a. to supply synod with accurate information and data concerning the work in Hawaii; b. to correlate, integrate, and implement the projects of the Synod and the ULCA among the Island churches; c. to foster and develop a church-wide outlook among the existing congregations; d. to seek and develop new avenues and areas of furthering the Kingdom of God among the countless unchurched peoples of varied ethnic groups in Hawaii.

During 1951 the Committee held six meetings, one of which was a three day conference with Dr. Beasom. This was held at Lihue on the Island of Kauai, the site of the first Lutheran Church in Hawaii. For your information, the following is a brief resume of some of the Committee's major accomplishments during the year past:

1. A very successful 10 day Bible camp was conducted at Kokee, Kauai, under the direction of Pastor Allport. This first attempt at an island-wide Lutheran camp was attended by 88 campers and was so well received that plans have already been completed for a 2 week camp for 150 campers. With a grant of $100 from Synod, contributions from members and organizations of the local congregations, gifts of food and other supplies, and the cooperation of a staff of volunteers, the total cost of the camp was held to $1517.73. A deficit of $62 was underwritten by the Committee.
2. A joint Reformation service was held in Honolulu. Pastor Swanson, who arrived in June to assume leadership of the mission congregation in Kaimuki, was the speaker.
3. The committee surveyed the Halawa Heights area of suburban Honolulu and plans are now nearing completion for the opening of a Sunday School there which will operate as a branch of the work at Pearl Harbor.
4. During the Christmas holidays a young peoples conference and Bible camp reunion was held in Honolulu. Out of this first island-wide meeting of Lutheran young people came the organization of a Luther League conference.
5. Several church leaders and missionaries stopping over en route to and from the Orient were entertained while here. They include Dr. Franklin C. Fry, Dr. Paul White, secretary of the N. Y. Synod.

At the first meeting of 1952 the committee made detailed plans and arrangements of the Bible camp, made tentative plans for further survey of potential fields of branch Sunday schools, discussed the possibility of developing a "circuit rider" ministry to care for Lutherans on the outer islands, investigating the possibility of joint meetings and conferences of young people, women of the church, and church councils.

The final disposition of these planned joint activities will depend largely upon the meeting of a tentative budget. Therefore we ask the executive committee to give earnest consideration to this report and the tentative budget appended hereto.

THOMAS ALLPORT, Chairman
ARTHUR HORMANN, D.D.
H. EDWARD HAMME
WALDEMAR HINTZ
FRANKLIN SWANSON

The session was adjourned with prayer led by the Convention Chaplain and was followed by meetings of the ministerium and the laymen.

THIRD SESSION

The third session was opened with devotions led by the Chaplain of Synod.

Dr. Knubel presented his third lecture on the theme "What Shall I Tell People?"

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was adopted.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented and the motion was made and seconded to adopt the report. Motion prevailed to consider the recommendations of the report seriatim.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, in fulfilling its constitutionally assigned functions, held six regular and three special meetings since the last convention of Synod.

The Committee arranged for the editing, printing and distribution of the Minutes of the 1951 Convention of Synod;

Authorized the transfer of a portion of the property of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Alhambra, for the erection of a chapel;

Approved the following arrangements for the Trailer Ministry in the Mother Lode area: Salary of $3,000 per year to be paid by the B.A.M. with $600 per year parsonage allowance and grants of $4,000 for the purchase of a station wagon and trailer and $2,400 for other equipment; Synod giving chatel mortgages to the B.A.M. for the equipment;

Made arrangements for Synod to participate in the Church Film Association of Southern California;

Authorized the purchase by Synod of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Baldwin Park, Calif., for the sum of $35,000.

Approved the purchase of an original two acres of a new site for Camp Yolijwa outside Redlands, Calif., for the sum of $2,500 and loaned the Committee on Youth Camping an additional $4,650 to purchase the remainder of the Law-Covington property and take an option on the Ford property;

Made available to the Board of Directors of the Lutheran Home for the Aged an amount not to exceed $1,000 to meet the deficit in operation during 1951;

Adopted the "BASIC RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION" as the official rules for the use of the division in the erection of church buildings;

Called a Special Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California held on the Seminary grounds, Berkeley, Calif., on October 1, 1951, for the consideration of the following items:

1. The Youth Camping Program
2. The Seminary Funding Campaign with a goal of $250,000
3. A Preliminary Report of the Committee on Faith and Life
4. An Assistant to the President of Synod
5. The 1952 Budget of Synod
6. A special meeting of the Ministerium of Synod to take action on the case of the Rev. Thomas Daly

Entered into an agreement with the First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, leasing offices for use by the Synod;

Authorized the Stewardship Committee of the Synod to obtain and distribute throughout Synod copies of the film, "NO GREATER POWER";

Approved the "STATEMENT OF POLICY WHERE MEMBERSHIP OF SYNOD IS REQUESTED IN ORGANIZATIONS NOT NOW DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH THE CALIFORNIA SYNOD OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA."

It is requested that all organizations desiring the membership of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, of the United Lutheran Church in America shall:

1. Forward to the Executive Committee of the California Synod a copy of their constitution, and articles of Incorporation if they are incorporated, for examination and approval by the Executive Committee of the Synod.
2. If approved by the Executive Committee of Synod, they in turn must obtain the approval of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America before such membership can be taken.
3. Suggested provisions in constitutions to gain approval of the Executive Committee of the California Synod and of the U.L.C.A.
   (a) Such organizations must be Evangelical in character.
   (b) Members to the board of directors must be appointed or elected by synods or conferences of the participating bodies, and responsible to them.
   (c) In case of dissolution of such organization, the disposition of such remaining assets as may remain shall be used for some definite Christian work in conformity with the general purpose of such organization during its existence.

Arranged for the calling of the Rev. H. Paul Romeis as Assistant to the President at a salary of $5,500 per year without parsonage; with Synod assuming its proper share of the Pastor's Pension Plan and providing him with the Family Protection Plan; and that a vacation of one month per year be granted him;

Secured the services of the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner to serve as Director of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal for six months from January 1 to July 1, 1952;

Appointed the Campaign committees for the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal, and approved the plan of procedure;

Agreed to underwrite the calling of Dr. O. W. Ebright as Executive Director of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged to the extent of $2,000 for 1952;

Approved the Committee appointments for 1952 subject to last minute revisions;

Approved the following "PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED WHEN THERE IS A VACANCY IN THE PULPIT OF A CONGREGATION IN SYNOD."

Recommended to the Church Councils of all member churches in the Bay Area that they make arrangements to have a Seminary Student assigned for work in their congregation; congregation to provide the expenses incurred by the student in thus serving;

Authorized the Committee on Faith and Life to prepare a booklet of daily devotions for use during the period of May 1st through the beginning of the Seminary Funding Campaign;

Arranged for the presentation of a suitable token to Mr. Fritz C. Noel in recognition of his long and faithful service to the church;

Made arrangements for the bringing of former active pastors, now retired, to the forthcoming Convention of Synod;

Your Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That the following congregations be received into Synod, subject to the approval of their constitutions by the Committee on Constitutions:
   1. United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redding, Calif.
   2. Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church of Redwood City, Calif.
   3. Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church of San Jose, Calif.
   4. Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church of Fresno, Calif.
   5. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church of Azusa, Calif.
   6. United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Santa Ana, Calif.
   7. Ascension Evangelical Lutheran Church of Baldwin Park, Calif.
   8. Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church (Latvian of Los Angeles).
2. That the Committee on Faith and Life be made a standing Committee of the Synod.
3. That the Constitution of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California be officially approved by this convention and that official representatives from the Synod be elected to the Board of Directors according to the requirements of the above constitution.
4. That the Constitution of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Southern California be officially approved by this convention and that official representatives from the Synod be elected to the Board of Directors according to the requirements of the above constitution.
5. That the Synod proceed toward the recognition of and membership in the Northern California-Western Nevada and the Southern California Councils of Churches.
6. That the Committee on Women's Organizations be charged to call a meeting of all groups representing Women's activities on the territory of the California Synod, in an effort to co-ordinate the work now being done by these groups and to report back through the Executive Committee of Synod.
7. That, because of the pressure of circumstances and the lack of time due to the All Lutheran Conventions being held, the consideration and adoption of the proposed Constitution of Synod be postponed until the Convention in 1953.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

Item 1 was adopted and the Pastors and lay delegates of the eight new congregations received into the Synod were presented to the Convention. The President welcomed them and pointed out that this is the largest number of new congregations ever received in any Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America at one time.

Item 2 was adopted.

Item 3 was adopted.

Item 4 was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that item 5 be adopted. The motion was made and seconded that the item be referred back to the Executive Committee for clarification and recommendation later in this Convention. The motion was carried.

Item 6 was adopted.

Item 7 was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that the report as a whole, with the exception of the referred items, be adopted. The Secretary of the Synod pointed out that if the report is adopted, the PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED WHEN THERE IS A

VACANCY IN THE PULPIT OF A CONGREGATION would also be adopted along with the report.

The motion prevailed that the PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED WHEN THERE IS A VACANCY IN THE PULPIT OF A CONGREGATION be referred back to the Executive Committee for clarification and resubmission to the Synod.

The Secretary presented the

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESENTED FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

For the information of Synod, the Executive Committee brings to the attention of Convention the fact that there will be received at this Convention the largest number of new congregations in the history of our sixty-one years of service on this territory.

There will be received, at this time, eight congregations as listed in the report, which brings the total of membership in organized congregations of Synod to eighty.

It is likewise of interest to Synod, I am sure, that we recognize there are three unorganized congregations: Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, under the organizational leadership of The Rev. R. Waldo Hansen at Naples, Calif.; Shepherd-of-the-Hills Lutheran Church in Berkeley, Calif., under the leadership of Seminarian John Steinhaus; as well as the Trailer Ministry which we are carrying under the name of Mt. Olive Parish of Sutter Creek, in the Mother Lode country under the leadership of The Rev. Charles J. Clark. Besides these unorganized congregations, we have a preaching mission at Ajo, Ariz., where The Rev. George Spindt has been serving; and the Sunday School and mission at Little Shasta where The Rev. Kenneth Linton has been serving. If we add all of these fields together, we will note there are at the present time, eighty-five organized and unorganized congregations and services being rendered by our Synod at this time. These do not take into account the number of additional fields being served in Sunday Schools and preaching points on the Island of Kauai, under the pastoral leadership of The Rev. Thomas Allport.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is the recommendation of the Executive Committee that The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California discontinue its support of and relations with the Central Lutheran Theological Seminary as a supporting Synod. That this Synod express to the faculty, board and student body of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary the gratitude of this Synod for all that Central Seminary has done during the years we have been associated with this institution and for the pastors who have been educated at Central and Western Seminaries for the work of the Church in the West.

Be it further recommended that we ask the Resolutions Committee to bring in proper resolutions to be sent to Central Seminary regarding the above in explanation as we take up our new relationship with the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary at Berkeley, Calif.

2. It is recommended that the officers of Synod be the trustees of Synod.

3. In conformity with the action of the Sixtieth Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, the Executive Committee has, upon recommendation of the Examining Committee, taken action for the reception of The Rev. Ragner Kjeldahl, S.T.M. and transfer from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

4. That the Executive Committee of Synod be granted the power to authorize the President of Synod to ordain Seminary graduates ad interim when they have been approved by the Examining Committee of Synod and have received a call.

5. Because the constantly rising cost of living has made the pension to be realized under the present pension system inadequate, we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to approach congregations being served by pastors of the Synod now enrolled in the Contributory Pension Plan and recommend that the congregations seriously consider increasing their contribution to the Pension Plan to 8 per cent and that they further recommend to the pastors that they reconsider the matter of increasing their own contribution to the plan.

6. It is the recommendation of the Executive Committee to this Convention of Synod, that travel allowances be given to the delegates coming from a distance who use the railroads as stipulated in the Constitution; those who come by car to be remunerated at the rate of seven cents per mile; those who come by airplane to be remunerated at the lowest scheduled air rate between the point of origin and destination.

7. It is recommended that the 1953 Synodical Budget be prepared by the Executive Committee for presentation to the Fall Conferences and for final approval at the January Convention of 1953 and that Apportionment be based upon this beginning January 1, 1953, and that the congregation be apportioned on this budget as of January 1, 1953.

The motion was made that the report be adopted. The motion was seconded. The motion prevailed that the recommendations in the report be considered seriatim.

Items 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

Item 4 was referred back to the Executive Committee for clarification and resubmission to the Synod.

Motion was made that item 5 be referred back to the Executive Committee for clarification and resubmission to the Synod. Motion was seconded. The motion was made that item 5 be stricken from the report. The motion was seconded and lost. The motion to refer was carried.

Item 6 was amended to include the word "scheduled" between the words "lowest" and "air."

Item 7 was adopted.

The report as a whole, with the exception of the referred items was adopted.

The Report of the Ministerium was presented by the Secretary of Synod. The report was adopted.

The Ministerium of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California met in the Synodical office on May 5, 1952. The meeting was opened with prayer, led by The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D. The following report of the Examining Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles, Calif., May 6, 1952.

The Examining Committee interviewed the following Pastors:

1. The Rev. Oak W. Ebright, member of the Pacific Synod, and newly elected Executive Director of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

2. The Rev. Franklin H. Schott, member of the Pittsburgh Synod, recently assigned as Board Missionary to the East Phoenix, Ariz. field.

MOTION PREVAILED that Pastors Oak W. Ebright and Franklin H. Schott be recommended to the Ministerium for acceptance into Synod upon signing the Constitution of Synod.

MOTION PREVAILED that since Pastors Oscar D. Kleinbergs had signed documentary proofs of their ordination and clerical memberships, they be accepted as members of Synod upon signing of the Constitution.

MOTION PREVAILED that upon approval of the Examining Committee, the Executive Committee be given power to ordain Seminarians who have been called to congregations or mission fields on this territory.

Respectfully submitted,

ERWIN A. VOSSELER, Sec. Pro. Temp.
REV. J. EDWARD OSLUND, Chairman

The meeting was adjourned.

PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

The Rev. Oak W. Ebright, the Rev. Franklin H. Schott and the Rev. Oscar W. Kleinbergs were officially received into the Synod by the Vice President using the prescribed order.

The motion prevailed that the minutes of the second session be approved as distributed.

The tellers reported the following election results:
Secretary—the Rev. Paul H. Wolpert elected.
Treasurer—Mr. Carl A. Bell elected.
Statistician—the Rev. Henry Scherer elected.
Archivist—the Rev. John Edward Hoick, D.D., elected.
Clergy member on the Executive Committee—the Rev. J. Benner Weaver.

The results of the election of laymen as delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America Convention was referred back to the tellers for a recount.

Dr. Knubel, United Lutheran Church in America representative to the Synod, expressed the appreciation of the United Lutheran Church in America to the Pastors and lay delegates at the Convention for the splendid participation on the part of the Synod for the world-wide work of the United Lutheran Church in America and commended them for their continuous record of 100 per cent benevolence paid to the United Lutheran Church in America. He spoke further on the work of the United Lutheran Church comparing it to the body of Christ; the mind of Christ represented by the work of the Boards of Publication and Education; the voice of Christ represented by the Boards of Evangelism and Social Missions; the hand of Christ represented by the Board of Pensions and the Boards of mercy such as the Diaconate; and the feet of Christ represented by the Boards of American Missions and Foreign Missions. All these are fed by the heart of Christ expressed in our giving and prayers.

The Report of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged was adopted.

REPORT ON THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

Five years ago, the keys to the property and buildings of what is now the California Lutheran Home for the Aged were turned over to the Board of Directors of the Home by Dominic Jebbia, who had sold the property and made it available to The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California for a sum of $75,000. The simple ceremony of the turning over of the keys followed many months of prayerful struggle to obtain the necessary funds and leadership to make possible the development of a Home for the Aged under the direction of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

There were many who came to the aid and assistance of the leaders of Synod at that time, one of whom was Mr. J. Hartley Taylor, who gave us a loan of $25,000, for which the Synod of California gave a First Deed of Trust and Note for five years at 4 per cent interest. The close of 1951 brought that First Deed of Trust on the property and its Note due and payable. Your Board is happy to report that the whole amount of the loan has now been paid and the property is clear of any mortgage indebtedness. Your Board is grateful to Mr. J. Hartley Taylor for making possible the loan and to the host of friends and donors who have carried on so faithfully through the intervening difficult days and months.

The Board of Directors closes the year of 1951 with many accomplishments and with all bills paid and the Home in a strong financial position considering its short life of five years.

After the property became the possession of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, extensive repairs were necessary to meet not only the needs of the development of the Home but likewise all the governmental agencies that have the care and protections of Homes for the Aged in Alhambra, County of Los Angeles, the State of California, and the Federal Government of the United States. There were many inspectors and inspections but the Home finally passed all of these and was open for guests and their care in the Fall of 1946.

During its first year of existence as a Home for the Aged, a serious fire broke out in the main building which might have caused a real tragedy except for the valiant service rendered by the Fire Department of Alhambra and the staff of the Home. During the days of repair, many of the guests and staff members remained at the Home and finally the buildings were repaired and put in exceedingly fine condition, much better than they were originally. They were re-dedicated and opened for the real service of the Church. All of the requirements for fire prevention were taken as directed and additional protections were brought into existence during the time of these repairs.

Since that time, three cottages have been erected upon the property of the Home and the new infirmary, which will be dedicated in the Spring of 1952, was started and will be turned over to the Corporation of The Home as it appears at this time, free of debt when dedicated.

For much of the repair and development of the material facilities of the California Lutheran Home as well as the prayerful guidance, Synod and the Corporation of the Home is indebted to The Rev. Edward N. Spirer, D.D., Director of the Division of Church Extension of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, along with a

host of willing pastors and consecrated laymen, who served the Church with their many talents to bring about the fine institution we now have, with assets reaching close to $175,000.

The Board for the Home for the Aged has taken an advance step for the future development of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged by calling The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D., formerly Superintendent of the Tabitha Home of Lincoln, Nebr., to become the Executive Director of the Home in the Spring of 1952. Announcement will be made of his installation at the meeting of Synod. We are grateful to Almighty God for leading us to this able and consecrated pastor and Home for the Aged executive. We pray God may grant His Holy Spirit to guide him and bring the whole of Synod and the host of friends of the Home into a new and determined unity to serve in this ministry of mercy with Christian love and fervor.

The Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged wishes to express its appreciation to Mrs. Genevieve Lyon and her staff, who have served during the year so faithfully and have given so much of themselves to make possible the operation of our Home. In honor to each of these, we list their names here: Emma Boell, Mary Evans, George Garland, Dorothy Gustin, Marjorie Malone, Hazel Ballou, Edith Gunnerud.

The Staff for the Home along with the Board of Directors have cared for 28 guests during 1951. Our guests at this time are: Mrs. Betty Rice, Mrs. Valborg Oftadel, Martha Wilson, Nellie Bourdette, Mathilda Jensen, Ida Peninger, Rev. Harvey Leech, Elizabeth Johnston, Olive Killits, Kirsten Lange, Dr. Herbert Weaver, Edward Meyer, Edward Schrickle, Mrs. Mary Rupp, Ernestine Witt, Christian Speis, Miss Anna Gerberding, Mrs. Louise Faust, Mrs. Emma Eiling, Mrs. Rozell Ferrell, Mrs. Mary Demski, Miss Louise Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foster.

God in His infinite wisdom called to the heavenly home in 1951: Christine Schanitter. May the Comforter come to her dear ones and the guests and staff at the Home in the loss of this dear one, with the knowledge she is now among the saints in the Church Triumphant, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

During the year 1951 Our Saviour's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Alhambra made overtures to the Board of the Home for a portion of the property of the California Lutheran Home for the erection of a chapel. These overtures were finally concluded and there has now been erected on the lower portion of the property a beautiful chapel, where a number of the guests worship regularly and are members of the congregation. We are happy to have had this cooperative part with Our Saviour's Church, its pastor, The Rev. Walter Stuhr, and its members. We pray that the years that are ahead will see the relationship between the Home and Our Saviour's grow and much good abound to the blessings of those whom God has placed in our care and to the honor and glory of His most Holy Name.

It must be borne in mind that regular services are held each Lord's Day afternoon at the Home for the Aged under the direction of the staff for the Home by various pastors in the Los Angeles area. To each of these who have had a part and for all the congregations who have assisted as well as for all of those who have made possible another year of service, the Board expresses its sincere appreciation.

There are many activities at the Home for the Aged but none of them are as strong as that which abounds in the Society of the Home of the Women's Missionary Society, which is a member of the Synodical Women's Missionary Society. This Society has been extremely active and has given much, both to the Home and the Church at large through the Society's activities.

The Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged have the following officers: The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President; The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Vice President; Mr. F. J. Bowman, Secretary; Mr Carl A. Bell, Treasurer. Other members of the Board are as follows: Dr. E. N. Spirer, Dr. Howard A. Anspach, Luther Vestergard, Mrs. Dorcas Dentman, Mrs. C. H. Izenour, Mr. Henry Foster, Rev. J. B. Weaver, Rev. Harold Lorimer, Mr. Fritz C. Noel.

Your President wishes to express to the members of the Board of Directors his personal appreciation for the valiant manner in which they carried on during his illness. With such consecration and love for our Lord, The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California and the Corporation of The California Lutheran Home for the Aged can look forward to many years of useful service in this field of the ministry of mercy to those who are and will be our aged guests.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES P. BEASOM, JR., President

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Statement of Income and Expenses
Twelve months ended December 31, 1951

Income		
Receipts from Churches	$ 151.00	
Appropriated receipts	3,850.00	
Receipts for care	18,367.21	
Cottage utilities	525.00	
Interest	218.86	
Miscellaneous receipts	1,108.64	
		$24,220.71
Expenses		
Accounting	600.00	
Auto expense	336.94	
Blue Cross	122.70	
Federal Insurance Contributions	119.30	
Food	5,993.27	
Insurance	588.49	
Gifts for guests	207.31	
Laundry expense	1,194.13	
Maintenance	640.67	
Medical Supplies and expense	265.06	
Miscellaneous expense	19.43	
Postage	32.35	
Staff salaries	12,030.34	
Stationery and printing	77.09	
Sunset Herald	301.92	
Supplies	390.59	
Taxes and licenses	109.67	
Telephone and telegraph	206.58	
Travel expense	140.00	
Utilities	1,529.31	
Total expenses		$24,905.15
Operating loss		684.44
Interest expense		625.00
Net decrease		$ 1,309.44

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Balance Sheet
December 31, 1951
ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$10,260.57	
Trust Deed Note receivable	3,000.00	
Note receivable	10,000.00	
		$ 23,260.57
Fixed Assets		
Land	$30,500.00	
Buildings	71,743.88	
Furnishings	14,510.14	
Equipment	2,376.93	
Cottage	24,054.95	
Construction in process—Infirmary	7,967.03	
		$151,152.93
Other Assets		
Food inventory	495.00	
Stocks and Bonds	100.00	
		595.00
		$175,008.50

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Notes payable	$ 15,000.00
Payroll and withholding taxes	283.74
Memorials	560.00
Deposit Account	14,222.56
Designated Funds	9,898.82
Designated Reserve from General Fund	3,000.00
Net Worth	132,043.38
	$175,008.50

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Statement of Net Worth

December 31, 1951

Balance, January 1, 1951		$129,042.89
Addition to Net Worth		
Receipts from designated funds for Station Wagon	$ 309.93	
Special gift	7,000.00	
		7,309.93
		$136,352.82
Deductions from Net Worth		
Sale of portion of land for use of Infirmary Building— This amount reflected in designated funds	3,000.00	
Net operational decrease—twelve months	1,309.44	
		4,309.44
		$132,043.38

Designated Funds

December 31, 1951

Bay area for furniture	$ 113.50
Women's Fellowship—San Bernardino for mixer	123.53
Infirmary	9,661.79
	$ 9,898.82

The Report of the Treasurer adopted, and the Treasurer of Synod, Mr. Carl A. Bell, presented Mr. Wayne Pfundstein, the Comptroller of Synod, who answered questions concerning the report and thanked the Pastors and Treasurers for their excellent work.

GENERAL FUND

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1951

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$ 63,820.60	
Notes receivable	33,876.56	
Accounts receivable	875.00	
Camp Yolijwa receivable	2,649.89	
Trust Deed Note receivable	2,377.88	$103,599.93
Fixed Assets		
Furniture and equipment		560.58
Advances		
Fidelity Bond	158.76	
Blue Cross and pension payment	63.45	
Advances	775.00	997.21
		$105,157.72

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Current Liabilities		
Notes payable	$ 54,899.06	
CHEY	11,184.34	
Lutheran World Action	1,648.65	
Benevolences undistributed	963.06	
The Lutheran—U.L.P.H.	2,903.79	
Withholding and payroll taxes	130.75	$ 71,729.65
Reserves		
Special	1,097.42	
Designated	30,828.32	31,925.74
Operational Reserve		1,502.33
		$105,157.72

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipts, Contributions for the Work of the Larger Church and Operations for the Year 1951

Receipts	Quota or Budget	Actual
Apportionment	$143,568.00	$141,990.42
Disbursements		
U.L.C.A. Apportionment	$ 75,530.00	$ 73,530.00(1)
Midland College	5,500.00	7,000.00(2)
Central Seminary	1,000.00	1,000.00
Lutheran Welfare Council	600.00	600.00
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	10,000.00	10,000.00
Park Churches	125.00	125.00
Synodical Missions	16,950.00	17,879.75
Church Convention	5,200.00	8,745.43
General operation	4,450.00	5,117.19
Synodical office expense	16,196.00	18,283.92
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	135,551.00	142,281.29
Reserve or Deficit*	$ 8,017.00	$ 290.87*

(1) Apportionment: Amount forwarded to U.L.C.A. in January, 1951		$ 2,000.00
Amount forwarded from Feb. 1 to Dec. 31, 1951		73,530.00
Total Quota (100%)		$ 75,530.00
(2) Amount forwarded to Midland College for regular contributions		$5,500.00
Special contribution		1,500.00
Total Quota (127%)		$ 7,000.00

Statement of Operational Reserve
Year Ended December 31, 1951

Balance, December 31, 1950		$ 1,915.82
CHEY Reserve for 1949 and 1950 restored to operational reserve		2,377.38
		4,293.20
Reserve designated for Pacific Lutheran Seminary	$ 2,500.00	
Excess of disbursements over receipts in current budget	290.87	2,790.87
Balance		$ 1,502.33

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Analysis of Synodical Disbursements

Year 1951

	Quota or Budget	Actual
Park Churches		
Yosemite	$ 75.00	$ 75.00
Sequoia	50.00	50.00
	125.00	125.00
Synodical Missions		
Home Missions	10,000.00	10,000.00
California Lutheran Home	1,200.00	2,200.00
Ministerial Education	2,000.00	2,383.43
Youth Camping	3,000.00	3,000.00
Youth Camping Transportation—North	500.00	296.32
Youth Camping Transportation—South	250.00	—
	16,950.00	17,879.75
Church Convention		
Synodical Delegate Expense	2,700.00	4,793.35
Synodical Convention Expense	500.00	1,563.11
Minutes of Synod	1,000.00	1,388.97
U.L.C.A. Convention Expense	700.00	700.00
Combined Synod Convention 1952	300.00	300.00
	5,200.00	8,745.43
General Operational Expense		
Golden State Lutheran	1,000.00	930.18
Synodical Contingent Fund	1,000.00	200.00
Executive Committee Expense	1,600.00	2,199.19
Other Committee Expense	200.00	1,437.82
Statistician Expense	100.00	100.00
Secretary	250.00	250.00
Bonding costs	300.00	—
	4,450.00	5,117.19
Synodical Office Expense		
Salary of President	6,500.00	6,500.00
Expenses of the Office of President	4,500.00	4,500.00
Pension and Insurance	296.00	312.00
Office—Utilities	600.00	800.00
Office Secretary	2,700.00	2,796.50
Comptroller	600.00	600.00
Office Expense	1,000.00	2,419.51
Interest	—	355.91
	16,196.00	18,283.93
Pacific Seminary Development	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Special Reserve

December 31, 1951

Balance January 1, 1951		$ 502.65
Add: Amortization receipts	$ 1,200.00	
Interest received	132.54	1,332.54
		$ 1,835.19
Deduct: Amortization payment		1,200.00
Balance December 31, 1951		$ 635.19

Special Relief Fund
December 31, 1951

Balance January 1, 1951	$ 488.63
Receipts from Convention Offerings	260.60
	749.23
Disbursements for special relief	287.00
	$ 462.23

Statement of Designated Reserves
Dcemeber 31, 1951

	January 1, 1951	Receipts	Disbursement	December 31, 1951
Annual Theological Lectures	$ 600.00	$ —	$ —	$ 600.00
CHEY	2,709.95	—	2,709.95	—
Mission Funds—Hawaiian	1,679.02	1,696.61	3,375.63	—
Mission W.M.S. Reserve	1,700.00	3,066.52	1,931.41	2,835.11
Home Mission Reserve	10,000.00	3,119.46	926.14	12,193.32
Convention Reserves	—	1,000.00	—	1,000.00
Camp Yolijwa Reserve (Fritz C. Noel)	—	4,000.00	—	4,000.00
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	—	5,199.89	—	5,199.89
Contingencies	—	2,500.00	—	2,500.00
Noel Mission Reserve	—	2,500.00	—	2,500.00
	$16,688.97	$23,082.48	$ 8,943.13	$30,828.32

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Synodical Missions

Statement of Charges to the Home Mission Budget
for the Year Ended December 31, 1951

Mission assistance and development	$ 2,271.91
Supplies used by Mission Churches	422.32
Assistance for specific purposes	3,717.04
Payments of principal and interest against mortgage indebtedness less rental allowances	459.57
Insurance and taxes on parsonages	213.95
Survey costs and miscellaneous expenses	570.25
Amount transferred to Home Mission Reserve	2,769.46
Pastor Supply and salary aid	8,065.50
	18,490.00
Receipts from B.A.M. for reimbursement of pastor supply and salary aid ($725.00 of this amount covers 1950 disbursements)	8,490.00
Total	$ 10,000.00

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Christian Higher Education Year CHEY
Report of Contributions Received

from October, 1949, to December 31, 1951

City	Church	Quota	Amount Received
Alhambra,	Grace	$ 1,305.00	$ —
Alhambra,	Our Saviour's	200.00	250.00
Altadena,	Altadena	685.00	870.23

City	Church	Quota	Amount Received
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	900.00	429.00
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	600.00	300.00
Culver City,	Grace	740.00	995.35
El Monte,	Redeemer	225.00	113.45
Fresno,	First	1,255.00	1,255.00
Fresno,	St. Paul's	725.00	362.25
Fresno,	Wartburg	185.00	135.00
Gardena,	St. John's	660.00	738.24
Glendale,	First	5,040.00	7,500.00
Globe,	St. Paul's	—	36.96
Hollywood,	Hollywood	2,695.00	1,354.70
Honolulu,	Honolulu	795.00	515.16
Honolulu,	Pearl Harbor	—	53.65
Honolulu,	St. Paul's	—	278.00
Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	1,795.00	1,798.67
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	2,025.00	2,025.00
La Canada,	Foothills	565.00	83.00
Las Vegas,	Reformation	360.00	130.23
Lihue,	Lihue	150.00	150.00
Long Beach,	Faith	530.00	196.45
Long Beach,	Lakewood	335.00	510.02
Long Beach,	Trinity	2,535.00	3,268.00
Los Angeles,	Advent	1,685.00	1,489.16
Los Angeles,	Bethany	665.00	275.00
Los Angeles,	First	4,000.00	4,000.00
Los Angeles,	St. Mark's	625.00	472.40
Los Angeles,	Transfiguration	405.00	405.00
Manhattan Beach,	Trinity	400.00	45.17
Monterey Park,	St. Paul's	435.00	641.75
North Hollywood,	St. Matthew's	1,925.00	1,925.00
Oakland,	First	1,500.00	1,523.00
Oakland,	St. John's	520.00	497.00
Oakland,	St. Michael's	865.00	1,056.20
Pasadena,	Trinity	2,000.00	2,012.63
Phoenix,	Faith	1,620.00	1,670.00
Phoenix,	Grace	3,870.00	4,170.00
Pomona,	Trinity	355.00	362.23
Redding,	St. James'	210.00	99.73
Redlands,	First	465.00	465.00
Redwood City,	Messiah	—	—
Reno,	Good Shepherd	505.00	—
Richmond,	Grace	2,650.00	2,756.89
Richmond,	Harbor Gate	—	10.00
Richmond,	St. James'	230.00	230.00
Riverside,	Trinity	1,000.00	710.00
Sacramento,	First	1,325.00	1,664.84
Sacramento,	St. John's	3,505.00	4,185.68
Sacramento,	St. Paul's	455.00	578.15
San Bernardino,	First	1,240.00	815.54
San Diego,	Christ	915.00	925.00
San Diego,	First	1,660.00	1,679.51
San Diego,	St. Peter's	355.00	355.00
San Fernando,	St. Mark's	500.00	246.17
San Francisco,	First United	345.00	345.00
San Francisco,	St. Mark's	1,830.00	1,964.44
San Francisco,	St. Matthew's	660.00	700.00
San Francisco,	Temple	440.00	440.00
Sanger,	St. Paul's	270.00	75.00
San Jose,	Bethany	—	24.36
San Jose,	Grace	845.00	463.35
San Leandro,	Epiphany	505.00	575.02
San Mateo,	St. Andrew's	725.00	725.01

City	Church	Quota	Amount Received
Santa Barbara,	Grace	710.00	1,844.00
Santa Monica,	St. Paul's	1,905.00	1,563.66
Sutter Creek,	Mt. Olive Parish	—	20.00
Tucson,	Our Saviour's	1,560.00	1,560.00
Vallejo,	St. Paul's	1,005.00	1,137.70
Van Nuys,	St. Andrew's	—	105.00
Westwood,	Village	640.00	25.00
Whittier,	Salem	705.00	753.50
Yreka,	Mt. Zion	260.00	88.89
Others		—	130.00
Trailer Ministry		—	5.00
		$72,595.00	$71,184.34

Footnote:—A special gift from Trinity Lutheran Church, Pasadena, in the amount of $35,000.00, designated for use at Midland College was credited to the California Synod's total response to the CHEY Appeal.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

The California Lutheran Home

Fire Insurance and Extended Coverage:

Furniture and Equipment	$15,500.00
Main Building	58,500.00
Gate House	4,000.00
Cottage Number One	8,000.00
Cottage Number Two	5,000.00
Cottage Number Three	5,000.00
Infirmary Building	10,000.00
	$106,000.00

Workmen's Compensation Insurance ..... PROVISIONAL

Comprehensive Liability — Automobile:

Property Damage	$10M
Bodily Injury	$50M & $100M

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Burglary and Fire Insurance—Office Furniture	$ 2,000.00
Fidelity Bond—President, Treasurer, Asst. Treas. and Comptroller (each)	15,000.00
Property Floater—Construction Equipment	700.00
Fire Insurance and Extended Coverage—Camp Yolijwa	10,000.00

Public Liability, Property Damage and Comprehensive Liability:

Chevrolet Trucks	$10M, $50M,
Jeep	$100M

Workmen's Compensation Insurance ..... PROVISIONAL

Forgery and Check Alteration Bond $10,000.00

COMMENTS

The cash received and disbursed during the year was traced to the bank statements and the amounts reported by the bank were reconciled with the amounts shown in the balance sheets.

Notes and accounts receivable were inspected and verified as to amounts. Notes and loans payable have been verified and are current as to terms of repayment.

The notes payable in the sum of $54,899.06 includes a loan from the Lutheran Church of Honolulu for $50,000.00. Synod is grateful to these grand people in Hawaii for this loan. Church Extension Division has been using $10,000.00 of this loan to increase its Working Capital for construction of Mission Buildings. The balance is being used in the extra Working Capital needed in the interim financing of Synodical Mission Development.

CHEY

CHEY funds on hand at December 31st total $11,184.34. Since the Christian Higher Education Appeal began the latter part of 1949, the following receipts have been credited to the total response:

1949	$ 1,297.86
1950	49,902.12
1951	19,984.36
	$71,184.34
Cash forwarded to Headquarters	60,000.00
	$11,184.34

Comparison of the total receipts to the goal of $72,595.00 is equal to 98 per cent of reaching its full goal. In addition to the cash in the amount of $71,184.34, a special gift in the amount of $35,000.00 designated for use at Midland College was credited to California Synod's total response to the CHEY Appeal.

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

L.W.A. funds on hand at December 31st total $1,648.65. We received during the year $20,991.95.

Receipts in 1950 and reported by Synod	$ 4,535.02
Receipts in 1951	20,991.95
TOTAL	$25,526.97
Cash forwarded to U.L.C.A.	23,878.32
Balance	$ 1,648.65

The total 1951 L.W.A. goal was $23,335.32 against which Synod forwarded $23,878.32 to U.L.C.A., thus going beyond the objective at 102.3 per cent.

THE LUTHERAN

The Lutheran magazine receipts show a response over four times greater than that of 1950 with a total of $2,903.00 received at December 31, 1951.

APPORTIONMENT

A review of the Statement of Receipts, Contributions for the Work of the Larger Church and Synod Disbursements for the year, found on page 29 shows the results of Synod and all the Congregations in their "GOING FORWARD" for the work of the Lord and His Kingdom. It is ever increasing and the congregations of Synod are to be congratulated for sharing in all these causes. Our quotas and receipts for 1950 and 1951 show how well this has been accomplished.

Year	Quota	Receipts	Per Cent
1950	$116,172.00	$116,693.17	100+
1951	143,568.00	141,990.42	99

SYNODICAL MISSIONS

Synod continued its Mission program all through the year similar to previous years. Monies are borrowed from banks, the Board of American Missions and other sources to provide capital for financing. Rent allowances and gifts are received to meet loan payments, pay taxes, interest, insurance and other mission assistance. When income from such sources is not sufficient, the balance is taken from the Home Mission Budget. The Budget for 1951 was $10,000.00. A statement of the disbursements against this budget is shown on page 31. The unused portion in the sum of $2,769.46 was transferred from this Budget to a reserve designated as the Home Mission Reserve. In addition $350.00 was transferred from a special mission reserve received in 1951.

CAMP YOLIJWA

The statement of the Camp Operations shows a net increase of $1,254.21 for the year. We assisted Pastor Foerster and the Camp Committee in the purchase of a new Camp Site near Yucaipa, a short distance from Redlands, Calif. We cooperated with the Camp Committee and legal counsel in the incorporation of a California Corporation for the Camp and on December 12, 1951 a charter was granted in the name 'Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.'

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Construction work continued through the year as it has in the past four years. This Division supervises, assists and cooperates with the congregation in the construction of the Church buildings.

All costs of the construction are paid from this office, statements are submitted for which it receives a 10 per cent of actual cost fee. This income is used to pay all expenses of the Church Extension Division. The statement of Construction Costs shows the jobs handled and the jobs in process of construction at the end of the year. Of the jobs handled, two were for the Augustana Synod—Sunset Lutheran in San Francisco and St. John's Lutheran in Norwalk.

A tabulation of the construction costs handled by this office since 1947 follows:

1947	$ 1,022.83
1948	100,121.64
1949	208,425.92
1950	110,364.82
1951	133,959.94
	$553,895.15

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

A statement showing a comparison between the balance sheets for the years ended December 31, 1951 and December 31, 1950 follows:

ASSETS	Dec. 31, 1950	Dec. 31, 1951	Increase Decrease *
Cash	$ 17,903.60	$ 10,260.57	$ 7,643.03*
Notes and accounts receivable	600.00	13,000.00	12,400.00
Stocks and bonds	100.00	100.00	.....
Property and equipment	143,808.97	151,152.93	7,343.96
Other assets	325.00	495.00	170.00
	$162,737.57	$175,008.50	$ 12,270.93
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS			
Notes payable	$ 15,000.00	$ 15,000.00	.....
Accounts payable	171.65	283.74	112.09
Guests' accounts	13,154.07	14,222.56	1,068.49
Memorials	.....	560.00	560.00
Designated funds	5,368.96	12,898.82	7,529.86
Surplus	129,042.89	132,043.38	3,000.49
	$162,737.57	$175,008.50	$ 12,270.93

The source and application of funds for the year shows the source of funds and the manner in which they were applied.

Source:

Decrease in cash	$ 7,643.03
Increase in accounts payable	112.09
Increase in advances from Guests	1,068.49
Memorials	560.00
Increase in designated funds	7,529.86
Special gift	7,000.00
Receipts for Station Wagon	309.93
	$24,223.40

Applied To:

Decrease in current operations	$ 1,309.44
Increase note and loans receivable	12,400.00
Purchase of Station Wagon	2,376.93
Increase other assets	170.00
Construction work—Infirmary	7,967.03
	$24,223.40

A comparison of Income and Expense for the years 1950 and 1951 follows:

	1950	1951	Increase Decrease*
Income	$22,753.37	$24,220.71	$ 1,467.34
Expenses			
Salaries	9,192.13	12,030.34	2,838.21
Food	5,585.36	5,993.27	407.91
Laundry	1,050.94	1,194.13	143.19
Utilities	1,555.68	1,529.31	26.37*
Maintenance	1,131.15	640.67	490.48*
Sunset Herald	.....	301.92	301.92
Insurance	580.69	588.49	7.80
Medical	331.61	265.06	66.55*
Accounting	600.00	600.00	.....
Auto expense	36.62	336.94	300.32
Telephone	140.73	206.58	65.85
Interest	1,144.85	1,218.44	73.59
Other expenses	625.00	625.00	.....
Total expenses	$21,974.76	$25,530.15	$ 3,555.39
Net Increase or Decrease*	$ 778.61	$ 1,309.44*	$ 2,088.05

This statement shows the increases and decreases of the income and expenses of the operations of the Home. Salaries and Food show increases due to a higher cost index over that of a year ago. It is to be noted, however, that the Home receives many gifts of food items (staple items of a non-perishable nature) not reflected in these figures. These gifts are included in other reports from the Home.

CONCLUSION

The operations of Synod are in good condition. We have enjoyed the cooperation of all the Committees during the year who receive financial data from this office as well as the information supplied to us by these committees, thus enabling us to keep the books and records current and informative from month to month.

Synod has enjoyed the services of Mr. Paul O. Breckenridge, a very capable attorney, who has helped Synod and advised us in legal matters. This he has done without cost to Synod and we wish to express our appreciation to him for what he has done and for his interest in the welfare of the Church.

I am grateful to Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., for his guidance and helpfulness all during the year. I have enjoyed another year's experience in the work of the Church and thank Almighty God for the privilege of doing what I may be able to do in carrying out the responsibility of this office and thus fulfill in some degree the requirement of my Christian Stewardship.

WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN

The Report of the Auditing Committee was adopted and the motion prevailed that the Synod instruct the Committee on Resolutions to bring in a resolution expressing the gratitude of Synod to the members of the Committee for their splendid service to the church.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

Gentlemen:

We have examined the Balance Sheet and Statements of Receipts and Disbursements of the following as of December 31, 1951:

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California
The Church Extension Division
The California Lutheran Home
Camp Yolijwa

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we consider necessary in the circumstances.

Apportionment and designated benevolence funds were verified by direct confirmation with the churches. All assets and liabilities were verified by direct confirmation or supporting evidence in the files and records of Synod.

In our opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheets present fairly the financial position of the above as of December 31, 1951.

Yours very truly,
AUDITING COMMITTEE
B. L. WAHL, Chairman
C. J. WALRAVEN

The tellers reported the following election results:

Lay members of the Executive Committee—Mr. Fritz C. Noel, Mr. Luther Vestergard.

Members of the Board for the Lutheran Home for the Aged—no election. The motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot that succeeding ballots be limited to twice the number required for election.

There was no election in the balloting for the members for the Board of Directors for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. The motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot that succeeding ballots be limited to twice the number required for election.

Dr. Albert B. Schwertz was elected to a 4 year term as a Trustee of Midland College.

There was no election of the clergy delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America Convention. The motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot that succeeding ballots be limited to twice the number required for election.

The following were elected as lay delegates to the United Lutheran Church in America Convention:

Mr. Leo S. Johnston.
Mr. Fritz C. Noel.
Mr. Howard Logan
Mr. Robert Cummings.

The motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot that succeeding ballots be limited to twice the number required for election.

Mr. Leo Johnston presented the

REPORT OF THE LAYMEN'S MEETING

Recommendations

1. The laymen express their praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for the rapid recovery of our beloved leader, Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., and request the continued prayers of all pastors and congregations of Synod that this recovery will soon be complete.
2. The laymen recommend to the Stewardship Committee and to the Committee on Faith and Life that a study be made of ways and means to develop additional laymen in the work of PERSONAL EVANGELISM AND STEWARDSHIP throughout our churches.
3. The laymen recommend that a laymen's luncheon meeting be made a permanent part of each Annual Synod Convention program, such luncheon to precede any balloting for elections.

Respectfully submitted,
LEO S. JOHNSTON

The third session was adjourned with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod.

FOURTH SESSION

The Fourth Session, at First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, Calif., on May 7, 1952, was opened with devotions read by the Convention Chaplain.

Dr. Frederick R. Knubel presented the fourth in a series of lectures on the theme "Why Don't People Come to Me?"

The tellers reported the following results of the third ballot:

Board of Directors for the California Lutheran Home for the Aged—no election.
Clergy member for the Board of Directors for the Pacific Lutheran Seminary—no election.

Lay member for the Board for the Seminary—no election.

Lay delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention—no election.

The motion prevailed that the names of the eight men receiving the highest number of votes be placed upon the board, showing their conference and the churches which they represent.

The clergy delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention—elected:
Rev. Carl V. Tambert and Rev. H. Paul Romeis.

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the third session be approved as distributed with the correction that Howard Logan was elected as a lay delegate to the U.L.C.A. Convention instead of Mr. Robert Inslee as given in the minutes.

Motion prevailed that Synod have a special order of business.

The Secretary of Synod presented a series of Resolutions drawn up by the conference of District Presidents.

RESOLUTIONS ON LUTHERAN UNITY

Resolved, That

1. We reiterate our sincere desire to achieve a unity as Lutherans which will glorify God and best serve the advance of His Kingdom.

2. We memorialize our constituent Synods to continue efforts to bring all of the bodies of the National Lutheran Council into one Church.

3. We express as our conviction the hope of ultimate union of all Lutheran Churches into the Lutheran Church of America.

RESOLUTIONS ON LUTHERAN STUDENT WORK

Resolved, That

1. We approve the change of constitution of the Lutheran Student Foundation.

2. We memorialize the Division of Student Service to give greater support to the Lutheran Student work in the areas represented by our Districts.

RESOLUTIONS ON LUTHERAN WELFARE COUNCILS

Resolved, That

1. We encourage the continuing expansion of community and Church services which are being offered in an ever-increasing and effective manner by the Lutheran Welfare Councils.

2. We pledge ourselves to increasing support of the work assigned to the Lutheran Welfare Councils by greater budgetary support, by prayerful concern for their outreach, and by encouraging its many facets of voluntary as well as professional services.

3. That we memorialize the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council to include support of Lutheran Welfare Councils and Agencies on a national level by activating the following methods of finance:

a. Support of local Councils and Agencies be given by the national budget of the Division to a greater extent than in the past, particularly during the early history of such Councils and Agencies in new areas.

b. Inclusion of such Councils and Agencies in the causes supported by Lutheran World Action.

RESOLUTIONS ON WESTERN LUTHERAN

Resolved, That

1. The Western Lutheran be designated as the official news agency of the Lutheran Bodies represented on the West Coast and that entrance be given into the congregations for solicitation of subscriptions.

2. The District (Synod, Conference) include a token subsidy in its budget to Western Lutheran.

3. We urge our constituents to subscribe to the Western Lutheran and that the plan of congregational subscriptions be followed wherever possible.

4. The Board of the Western Lutheran be commended in its efforts to secure a full-time Editor and Manager and that Pastor Elmer M. Johnson be urged to accept this position at this time.

RESOLUTIONS ON CHRISTIAN SECONDARY AND HIGHER EDUCATION

Resolved, That

1. A Committee of ten representing the constituent Synods of the NLC be appointed by the Council of District Presidents at its next session to determine the need and possibilities of Secondary and Higher Christian Education in California, such representatives to report all developments and plans to the next meeting of their respective Synods.

2. The districts or conferences of the NLC bodies represented in California make a direct approach to the Board of Education of their respective Synods to solicit their study, cooperation, and support of a program of secondary and higher Christian education for the Southwest area of our country.

The following reports were adopted:

REPORT OF SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE

The Synod wide Luther League has enjoyed another year of aggressive leadership, growth, and accomplishment in Kingdom Building.

Grace Lutheran Church, San Jose, Calif., Rev. C. F. Crouser, Pastor, was host to the fifth annual convention over Labor Day week-end. Both attendance and enthusiasm were high.

The following officers were elected at San Jose: Beverly Forsberg, President; William Crouser, Vice President; Marlene Califf, Cor. Sec.; Andrea Blough, Rec. Sec., and Guy Mehl, Treasurer.

The year has been marked with growth, many activities, and meeting our financial commitments in full. The California Synod League was the first of the various synod leagues to meet its 1952 financial obligation to The Luther League of America. Our commitments for the various mission projects of over $550.00 is being met for the current year.

The deputation teams have been active, resulting in the formation of ten new leagues since the last report, and an increase in reported membership from 548 to 605. A number of official and unofficial district rallies were held, the most recent at Beverly Hills with an attendance of 428.

Trinity Church, Long Beach, will entertain the next convention over the coming Labor Day week-end. This convention, as well as the full league program, is commended to every league and pastor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. BLOUGH

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

The executive committee of the Northern Conference Luther League met in Grace Lutheran Church, San Jose, on Sunday afternoon, February 24, 1952, with all members present. Bill Crouser, President, took charge of the business.

Preliminary plans for the spring convention were laid. It was decided to change from the usual Saturday and Sunday convention, to a Friday night and Saturday convention, so as not to interfere so greatly with regular Sunday morning services, and to enable pastors to attend the convention with the youth.

Previously it had been decided to hold the convention in Grace, Richmond's new church, but since it will not be completed in time, a new location is being sought, and will be announced shortly.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. MOYER

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

Luther League activities in the Southern District have been gaining in momentum. A word of gratitude goes to all pastors, advisors, officers, and leaguers who have helped to bring about this fruitful accomplishment in this vital phase of the life of our church. It is our prayer that every pastor and layman in our

churches will be very cognizant of the strategic importance of Luther League work in building the life of every congregation.

Activities for the year have included invitations from the Leagues of Huntington Park, Culver City, First English, Los Angeles, and others to attend various services and outings. Interest in the missionary program of the work of the church at large was emphasized and particular emphasis was given to Argentine. A workshop meeting was held October 14, 1951, at First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles. A model devotional service for Leagues was demonstrated.

In November our Leagues journeyed to Faith Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona, for a most profitable and inspiring Fall League Rally.

Beverly Hills Lutheran Church was host to our Mid-Winter Rally on February 24, 1952. Dr. Andreas Bard, formerly from Kansas City, brought an inspirational message. Following a steak banquet the new film "45 Tioga Street" was shown. A record was set in attendance when 425 registered. Each Leaguer brought a can of food which was given to Lutheran Welfare. First Lutheran Church, Glendale, went home with the attendance trophy.

Plans are now in full swing for our Spring Convention to be held in Glendale May 3 and 4.

Officers for the past year included a fine team of hard working leaders: Mike Schoen, President; Marlene Calif, Vice President; Marilyn Tambert, Recording Secretary; Judy Kruse, Corresponding Secretary, and Alan Roget, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MEYER

The motion was made, seconded and carried that "Because the constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America as well as the constitution of our own Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California prohibits the Convention from taking action at this time to approve the recommendations as legislation as suggested by the District Presidents, the whole matter be referred to the Executive Committee of Synod to follow constitutional procedures but with the express understanding that it is the desire of the Convention to accomplish, as far as possible, that which is itemized in the proposals."

The Rev. William H. Blough, Advisor of the Synodical Luther League, introduced Miss Beverly Forsberg, President of the Synodical Luther League, who outlined the work being done by this organization. Twenty new Luther Leagues have been received into the Synodical League during the past year. They have paid the quota to the National Luther League and also their share in the mission project of the Luther League of America in full this year. In addition they have raised $100 for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. She further spoke on "What I Like About My Pastor."

Miss Andrea Blough was then introduced and spoke on "What I Don't Like About My Pastor." She pointed out that there are two types of pastors who hinder the work of the young people, the indifferent pastor and the over-ambitious pastor.

Rev. J. Henry Meyer of the Lutheran Service Center of San Francisco was introduced to the convention and made brief remarks in behalf of the Service Ministry.

As a special order of business the retired pastors of the Synod were presented and welcomed to the Convention, and brought brief greetings. Those presented were:

The Rev. Albert L. Groseclose
The Rev. L. A. Harshman
The Rev. Norman N. Harter
The Rev. John Edward Hoick, D.D.
The Rev. Harvey M. Leech
The Rev. Henry F. Schmidt
The Rev. E. F. Valbracht, S.T.M., D.D.
The Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.

At 11:00 am. the California Synodical Women's Missionary Society convention met with the Synod in a service celebrating the Sixtieth Anniversary of the Synodical Society. Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr., President of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America gave a stirring message.

At the conclusion of the service, the Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D., Necrologist of Synod, led in a memorial service for the following:

The Rev. Arthur E. Isham
The Rev. William E. Crouser, D.D.
The Rev. Paul Gerberding
Mrs. Jennie Bates Schueler
Mrs. Helen F. Kohler

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

Our Heavenly Father, in His divine wisdom and mercy, has called to their eternal homes several of our beloved co-workers in Christ. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." Psalm 116:15. Appropriately we record a brief life history of each of them.

JENNIE BATES SCHUELER

Mrs. Jennie Bates Schueler, widow of the late Rev. Edward Philip Schueler, D.D., died in Pasadena, Calif., September 17, 1951, aged 86. Born near Ft. Wayne, Ind., April 19, 1865, she moved with her parents to Kansas City, Mo., where in 1899 she was united in marriage to Pastor Schueler, then serving Children's Memorial Church of Kansas City. A quiet, unassuming woman, she was a devoted helpmate, believing she served her Master best through her ministry to her husband and family, lending them every encouragement and aid in their Christian service. Thus, with her husband, she, too, served in churches in Quincy, Ill., Albuquerque, N. M., San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Pasadena, Calif. Surviving are three children: Elizabeth S. Major, Fillmore, Calif.; Dorner T., of Berkeley, and Alfred E., of Beaver, Pa., and 5 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

The funeral service was held in Trinity Church, Pasadena, of which she was a member, conducted by the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, pastor, and assisted by the Reverends Howard A. Anspach and Albert L. Groseclose. Burial was in Forest Lawn Park, Glendale.

ARTHUR E. ISHAM

Arthur E. Isham, 71, died several weeks after a heart attack on October 29, 1951, at his home in Redlands. Born in Anamosa, Iowa, in 1880, he was orphaned at an early age. After service in the Spanish-American War he attended Carthage College, graduating in 1904. He was graduated from Hamma Divinity School, Wittenberg College, in 1907, with a B.D. degree, and was ordained at Sioux City, Iowa the same year. He served two pastorates in Iowa, then came to First Church, Redlands, in 1912, serving as pastor for 5 years. He resigned to become secretary of the Redlands Chamber of Commerce. He later served as county assessor, and then as Director of Public Relations for the Mutual Orange Distributors. He is survived by his widow, Alma Dorothea, and the following children: Carl, Fairfax, Va.; Paul, Oakland; Earl, Montebello, and Mary Jane Ehrman, Dos Palos, Calif.

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, the Rev. John Foerster, First Church, Redlands.

HELEN F. KOHLER

Helen F. Kohler, nee Beupre, was born in Simcoe, Ontario, Canada, and died in Los Angeles January 1, 1952. She was married to the Rev. Henry Irving Kohler, D.D., in June, 1919, at Pueblo, Colo., where Dr. Kohler was then serving as pastor. Active in the work of the church always, she served with her husband in his pastorates in Pueblo, Longview, Wash., and finally in Bethany Church, Los Angeles, for 22 years. She had been in ill health for several years before her death. Services were held in Bethany Church, with Pastors Carl V. Tambert, Frederick A. Smith, and Paul C. Wharton participating. At his wife's request, Dr. Kohler spoke of her life as mistress of the parsonage, and a pastor's help-meet, and he also conducted the committal service. She was laid to rest in Inglewood Park Cemetery. Surviving her, besides her husband, are two brothers, Leland S. and Raymond M. Beupre.

THE REV. WILLIAM E. CROUSER, D.D.

The Rev. William E. Crouser, D.D., died at his home in San Jose, January 14 of this year. Born in New Lebanon, Pa., June 13, 1871, he was graduated from Susquehanna University in 1894 and from Hartwick Seminary in 1897. He served

pastorates in Schenectady and Buffalo, N. Y., prior to accepting a call to Grace Church, San Jose in 1902. He subsequently served First Church, San Francisco, 1909-1912; was Synodical Missionary Superintendent, 1912-1915, during which time he organized Emmanuel, now Temple Church, San Francisco, and St. Paul's Church, Los Angeles, since removed to Monterey Park. He served one year, 1915, as pastor of First Church, Oakland, then again became pastor of Grace, San Jose, serving until 1944, when he was retired as pastor emeritus. Dr. Crouser served four terms as President of our Synod. He received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from Hartwick College in 1912.

Surviving are his wife, a son, the Rev. Clarence F. Crouser, pastor of Grace Church, San Jose; and two grandchildren, one of whom, Wm. C. Crouser, is preparing for the ministry.

The funeral service was conducted January 17, in San Jose, the Rev. Dr. Charles F. Oehler and the Rev. Milus Bonker officiating.

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. HOWARD A. ANSPACH

At the conclusion of the Memorial Service, the tellers presented the following election results:

Elected to the Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged: The Rev. Henry Scherer, the Rev. Edward N. Spirer, D.D., the Rev. Orval A. Awerkamp

Elected to the Board of Directors of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary for a 4 year term: The Rev. Ross F. Hidy; for a 1 year term: Mr. Howard Logan.

Clergy delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention: The Rev. H. Edward Hamme, the Rev. Frank H. Clutz, and the Rev. Ross F Hidy.

Lay delegates elected to the U.L.C.A. Convention: Mr. John E. Miller, Mr. Gilbert T. Olson, and Mr. G. J. Grieve.

The motion prevailed that alternates be named from the next in order, according to the number of votes received.

The motion prevailed that the Fourth Session be adjourned.

FIFTH SESSION

The fifth session opened at First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles at 9:00 a.m. on May 8, 1952, with devotions led by the Chaplain of Synod.

Dr. Knubel presented the last in his series of lectures on the theme "How Can I Become a Better Counselor?"

The tellers reported the following results in the election for delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention:

Clergy Delegates—no election.

Lay Delegates—Mr. Eugene Hoeftman elected.

The report of the trustees of Midland College was received and Dr. Albert B. Schwertz, Trustee, introduced Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, President of the College, who outlined briefly to the Convention the hopes and problems of the College.

The motion prevailed that the Report on Midland College be adopted and that the recommendation be referred to the Executive Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1951 - 1952

GENERAL STATEMENT:

This is Midland's 65th year of eminent service to our youth, our Church, and our Lord. As a liberal arts college of the Church, Midland continues to give the basic education to our young men who have the Gospel Ministry in view, to those young men and women who desire to serve their Lord in other full-time church service in the United States or in the foreign mission fields, and to the larger number who wish to get their education for life in a positive Christian environment.

Officers of the Corporation:

The officers of the corporate Board are: President, Dr. A. H. Pinkall, Omaha, Nebr.; Vice President, Dr. A. W. Young, Lincoln, Nebr.; Secretary, the Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln, Nebr.; Acting Treasurer, Dr. F. E. Wood, Fremont, Nebr.

Officers of the College:

Officers of the College are: President, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus; Dean, C. K. Burkholder; Acting Treasurer, Dr. F. E. Wood.

Students:

While Midland's enrollment followed the general trend among colleges and universities of the country being somewhat lower this year than last, the drop was considerably below the national average of about 11 per cent. Midland's total enrollment for the first semester of this year was 373 as compared with 390 a year ago. Evaluated in terms of full-time students the decline amounts to less than 6 per cent. The reason for the decline is the smaller number of high school graduating seniors, the sharp drop in G. I. enrollment, and particularly the draft and military enlistments.

Sixty-six students are preparing for full-time Christian service as follows:

The Gospel Ministry	51
Foreign Missions, including medical missionaries	7
Parish Work	8
TOTAL	66

Twenty-two students at Midland come from the confines of the California Synod. The Synod ranks fourth in student representation, being exceeded only by Nebraska, Midwest, and Kansas. Fourteen U.L.C.A. Synods have representation in the student body. Of the six Lutheran groups besides the U.L.C.A., the Missouri Synod has the largest representation. Among the California contingent are nine students from Hawaii.

OUR FINANCES:

Fiscal Year June 1, 1950 to May 31, 1951

Receipts

Educational and General	$110,445.70	
Endowment Investments	22,668.22	
Gifts and Grants	89,912.40	
Sales and Services	3,131.13	
Other Income	1,935.00	
Auxiliary Enterprises	136,134.43	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$364,226.88

Expenses

Educational and General	$217,529.39	
Auxiliary Enterprises	133,901.81	
Other Non-Educational Expense	19,649.65	
Total Expense		$371,080.85
NET OPERATING LOSS		$ 6,853.97

Last year's deficit of $6,853.97 has been absorbed in this year's budget. In spite of rigid economy measures it was absolutely necessary last fall to increase the salaries of our faithful faculty and staff members. It looks as if we might have another deficit at the end of this year; however, the Business Manager is hopeful that by curtailing every possible expenditure we may be able to balance the budget. Every effort is being made to do so.

We are sincerely grateful to the members of the California Synod for their interest and splendid support of our college. The goal of $5,500 was approved by the California Synod last year. It is desirable and necessary that Synod maintains this goal and makes every effort to reach it. Other things equal, a school can properly discharge its function only if it receives adequate support.

For the contributions by the members of the California Synod the Trustees and the Administration of Midland College are deeply grateful. May God richly bless every giver as well as every gift. Let us meet the high expectation of the leaders of the U.L.C.A. and complete the task assigned to us. The eyes of the Church and of the Lord of the Church are upon us.

Midland's Special Needs

1. Adequate financial support.
2. A new Library building.
3. A pipe organ.

RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT HIERONYMUS

After serving a half year as assistant to President Wiegman and Professor of Christianity, and approximately seven years as President of the College, Dr. W. P. Hieronymus will lay down his administrative duties at the close of the present school year. He plans to continue teaching. Our Synod truly appreciates the outstanding service rendered to our College by this hard-working man of God. Our prayers go with him in his new field of endeavor.

New President Called

Dr. Paul W. Dieckman has been called as Midland's new president. Our Synod extends to him our congratulations. God grant to him strength to serve Midland well.

Recommendations

We recommend to the Synod that:

1. Midland College be continued upon the Synodical apportionment for 1953 in the amount of $5,500, and that every effort be made to increase this amount if at all possible. Our College is in need of all the encouragement which we can give.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Trustees

JAMES P. BEASOM, JR.

ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ

The Report of the Committee on Faith and Life was presented by the Rev. Frank H. Clutz.

REPORT OF THE FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE

The committee on Faith and Life reports two meetings held simultaneously with the Executive Committee of the Synod in Los Angeles and a meeting at the Pacific Seminary on October 3, 1951, following the special convention of Synod.

At the first meeting, the Rev. E. Dale Click was chosen secretary for the committee. An extended and earnest discussion centered on the various areas of the life of the church which would be the concern of this committee.

A preliminary report was given the Executive Committee, indicating that the immediate consideration would be in Evangelism, Stewardship and Education. The committee presented this Introductory section in its report, setting forth the general approach to its responsibilities:

1. From the 1948 convention of the U.L.C.A. recorded in the 1950 minutes, page 514, "The report and recommendations indicate (the) conviction that significant and permanent advancement in attendance, education, stewardship, evangelism, social action, etc., can be hoped for as the Church succeeds in invigorating the inner faith and life of its members. The entire plan is 'person-concerned'."

2. The Basic Recommendation of the U.L.C.A. in convention 1951, page 602, "That the United Lutheran Church in America intensify its emphasis upon the cultivation of the faith and life of the local congregation."

3. The basic doctrine of our Lutheran Church is that the Word of God is the sole source and power of faith and life, and it is the chief concern of your committee that this Word motivate the total Christian experience of the Synod, the local congregation, and the individual member.

4. In view of the above, your Committee desires to make an honest analysis of the spiritual status of Synod, and in the light of these findings we propose to recommend certain specific, immediate, and long-range steps.

5. At the present time we limit ourselves to preliminary considerations in the fields of: 1) Evangelism; 2) Stewardship; 3) Education.

The Executive Committee gave careful study to the report and advised your committee to approach the entire work with the idea of making definite contributions in any category of church life. Recommendations will be assigned, after their

approval, to specific synodical committees for implementation. The committee was asked to continue its work along the lines proposed and several additional needs were indicated.

At the special meeting of the Synod at Berkeley, October 1, 1951, the committee submitted the following recommendations, which were adopted:

1. That each congregation strive to deepen the devotional life of its members by:
   A. Placing in each home a daily devotional booklet.
   B. Demonstrating before the congregation the Family Altar.
   C. Providing each member with a copy of the pocket-sized picture of our Lord Jesus Christ "I am with you alway."
   D. Arranging for weekly Bible study and prayer.
2. That all pastors of Synod be asked to preach a series of four sermons on the Sundays of January, 1952, on the theme, "Steps On Redemption's Road."

   January 6, "Our Condition of Need" (Alienation)

   January 13, "Our Birth of the Spirit" (Regeneration)

   January 20, "Our Salvation by Faith" (Justification)

   January 27, "Our Growth in Grace" (Sanctification)
3. That rallies of Senior Confirmation Classes be conducted between Easter and Pentecost in the following geographical areas of Synod: Phoenix, Los Angeles, Oakland, Hawaii, and that the Conference presidents be responsible for making the necessary arrangements.

On January 17, 1952, the committee presented to the Executive Committee a report including a summary of the responses to the "Questions For Study" circulated among the pastors of Synod. Agreement was general on the following:

1. That pastoral retreats be held periodically.
2. That Bible reading and training in the use and understanding of the Bible be intensified.
3. That Confirmation rallies be held under the sponsorship of Synod.
4. That a full-time youth worker be engaged.
5. That Luther League assemblies be held at a time when it is possible for pastors to attend.

At this meeting several suggestions were offered for consideration in regard to 1. Devotional Life, 2. Confirmation Rallies, and 3. A Youth Worker.

The Committee presents these recommendations:

1. That each congregation plan a presentation of the Family Altar patterned after the demonstration to be given at the Synodical meeting.
2. That each congregation seek ways and means of placing a daily devotional guide in each home.
3. That the Confirmation Rallies be planned for the afternoon of Pentecost, June 1st, 1952, in Phoenix, Los Angeles, Oakland, and Hawaii, the suggested order of service being "A Promise With a Privilege."
4. That in view of the evident need for a more effective Youth program in Synod, especially in the areas of Church School, Camping, and Luther League, and in the interest of better coordination of the program of the Parish and Church School Board in the congregations of Synod, the possibility of calling a full-time Youth Director be explored.
5. That every possible resource be employed to make effective in the lives of the members of Synod the special emphasis for 1952, "The Bible in Daily Living."

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK H. CLUTZ, Chairman
E. DALE CLICK
QUENTIN P. GARMAN
ROBERT S. ROMEIS
J. BENNER WEAVER

Motion prevailed that the recommendations in the report be considered seriatim.

Item 1 was adopted. The Rev. Quentin Garman showed the film-strip "At Home With God" which is available free of charge through the Lutheran Publication House for congregations.

Item 2 was adopted.

Item 3 was adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that item 4 be adopted and referred to the Executive Committee of Synod for possible action. The motion was carried.

Item 5 was adopted.

The motion prevailed that the report as a whole be adopted.

The Report of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California was presented by the Rev. J. Benner Weaver who outlined the hopes and plans of the committee on youth camping.

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

The year 1951 will go down in the history of the California Synod as one which marks great strides in the educational program of our Church, and Camp Yolijwa is proud to have been able to share in this progress. Because of the splendid cooperation of Pastors and people in our Synod, this year was by far the most successful to date in our program of summer camping for our Lutheran young people. It was also a milestone for us as a Synod, for we were fortunate in having the services of our first full-time Camp Director in the person of the Rev. John D. Foerster, S.T.M. His experience, enthusiasm and capabilities as a director of Youth Leadership Camping were major factors in the progress achieved.

The camping period for 1951 consisted of six weeks of camping and a total registration of 327 campers. An excellent corps of faculty members and counsellors, plus a permanent staff, served faithfully and most cooperatively.

During the year the following objectives were realized:

(1) The Synodical Committee on Camping incorporated under the laws of the State of California, as, "The Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California."
The following statement of purpose was adopted: The purpose of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California shall be to establish and maintain a camp or camps on the territory of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California for the purpose of discovering leadership, training leadership, and linking that leadership to the Church by a program of religious education, recreation, and counseling of young people and adults; and to promote and establish training sessions in or through the churches of Synod for the purpose of augmenting Leadership Training.

(2) Property has been purchased or optioned for a new camp site at Oak Glen, Calif. This proposed new site will cover an area of approximately twenty-six and one-half acres, at an elevation of 5000 feet. Plans call for the opening of the new site in 1953 if at all possible.

(3) Initial plans have been laid for the Special Synodical Appeal in behalf of Youth Camping for 1953-54.

(4) Overall plans for the development of the new camp site have been started and are currently in the preliminary stages.

(5) Continuing study is being given to Synodical Camping needs on a geographical basis. This is especially necessary in view of the tremendous spread of our Synodical territory.

(6) Plans have been made for the 1952 camping season which will make it the finest yet, with the anticipated enrollment being greater than that of any previous year.

The following served as members of The Synodical Camp Committee and of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California for the year 1951.

The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, The Rev. Quentin P. Garman, The Rev. Charles P. Smith, The Rev. F. W. Heinecken, The Rev. R. Bertram Reed, The Rev. David Robison, The Rev. George Spindt, The Rev. Glen O. Balsley, and Mrs. R. R. Inslee.

By proper nomination and election, the following were constituted officers of the corporation:

The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, President
The Rev. Quentin P. Garman, Vice President
The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Secretary
Mrs. R. R. Inslee, Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,
THE CAMP BOARD

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CAMP YOLIJWA

Balance Sheet
December 31, 1951

ASSETS

Current Assets:		
Cash on hand		$ 25.00
Property and Equipment:		
Lease and equipment	$ 2,538.30	
Furnishings	4,051.90	
Camp improvements	6,931.42	
Trailer	326.69	
		13,848.31
New Camp Site		2,924.80
		$16,798.11

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Loan from Special Reserve in General Funds		$ 4,131.43
Advance by the General Fund		2,649.89
Improvement Savings Fund		325.17
Net Worth:		
Balance—January 1, 1951	$ 7,237.41	
Amortization of Special Reserve in General Fund	1,200.00	
Increase in operational income	1,254.21	9,691.62
		$16,798.11

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
CAMP YOLIJWA

Statement of Operations
Year ended December 31, 1951

Income:		
Receipts from Camp:		
Registration	$ 1,274.83	
Board from Campers	4,364.92	
Board from Visitors	206.50	
Scholarships	130.65	
Store	494.88	
Books	218.95	
Transportation	342.74	
Handicraft	106.76	
Miscellaneous	306.80	
Total receipts from Camp		$ 7,447.03
Receipts from Synod		3,000.00
Total Income		10,447.03
Costs of Operation and Expenses:		
Supervision salaries	$ 1,200.00	
Other salaries	1,430.00	
Food	2,243.32	

Kitchen and dining room supplies	165.95	
Books	303.01	
Store purchases	376.62	
Handicraft and recreation supplies	226.70	
Camp awards	225.98	
Photos	242.46	
Hospital and medical supplies	45.63	
Publicity	798.97	
Operating supplies	55.79	
Butane gas service	29.75	
Rental of fuel tank	32.00	
Repair and maintenance	132.56	
Insurance	411.10	
Taxes	114.99	
Stationery and office supplies	205.99	
Postage	36.24	
Telephone	52.47	
Gasoline and oil	300.01	
Auto repairs	191.48	
Travel allowances	344.98	
Bus transportation	420.00	
Miscellaneous	288.04	
		$ 9,874.04
		572.99
Add 1950 transportation allowance returned		318.22
Gift from Surveyor		363.00
Net Increase		$ 1,254.21

The motion prevailed that the report be adopted with the substitution of the name of the Rev. H. Paul Romeis for the name of the Rev. R. Bertram Reed as a member of the committee.

The Rev. Quentin Garman presented Lt.-Comdr. George Brosius, Chaplain in the U.S.N.

Chaplain Max Gilmer appealed to the Convention concerning the desperate need for Lutheran Chaplains in the Armed Services to care for the spiritual life of our young men in the services.

The Convention was recessed and was followed by meetings of the Northern and Southern Conferences.

The Rev. Luther Weibel of Trenton, New Jersey, a member of the Pennsylvania Ministerium, was introduced and welcomed to the Convention.

Dr. Paul Empie, Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council, was introduced to the Convention and spoke on the magnificent work which the Lutheran World Action is doing throughout the whole world.

The Rev. Carl V. Tambert presented the Report of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

RETROSPECT—When six representatives of the California and Pacific Synods met in Eugene, Ore., as appointed commissioners to study the matter of Theological Education on the West Coast, it is doubtful if they realized just what might materialize from their work. Certainly they never realized all the problems that would enter into the development of the institution which has now become established. The first meeting was held on September 1, 1948. Within three months from this day, both Synods had agreed to cooperate in the development of a Seminary to be known as Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary to be located at Berkeley, Calif. At the 1949 conventions of both Synods, a constitution for the Seminary was approved, and members were elected to the Board of Directors. On May 31, 1949, the Board held its first official meeting in Berkeley, at which time it adopted the Constitution previously approved by the cooperating Synods. Actual incorporation of the Seminary took place May 18, 1950, and the Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Secretary of the State of California on August 23, 1950.

PROPERTY—From the time of its first official meeting, the Board began to look for suitable property. Many fine properties were investigated, among them the Williams College property, which seemed most desirable. After a long series of fruitless negotiations with the owners of this property, God opened a real door of opportunity which resulted in the purchase of two adjoining properties "high atop the Berkeley Hills." These properties consist of two large seventeen-room houses, with approximately seven and one-half acres of land. Total price paid was $144,500. Purchase of the first property known as the Clark home took place on June 21, 1951. The deal for the second property known as the Dobbins home was consummated on September 7, 1951. Present indebtedness on both homes is $59,000. Both homes can be used for the present with little or no alteration. However, the Board recently employed an architectural firm to prepare a master plan of the whole property taking into consideration the best use of present buildings and location of possible additional buildings, such as a dormitory for single men, a combination chapel-library building, also outdoor recreational facilities for students.

IMPROVEMENTS—Both homes have been completely redecorated, exterior and interior, at a total cost of $8,575.00. Some furnishings have been purchased for the President's suite. Electric stoves and refrigerators have been placed in both homes. To accommodate the many conferences and group meetings held at the Seminary, it was necessary to purchase steel folding chairs and some tables. Tables and desks for class room purposes are now being purchased. Beds and bedding will be purchased for dormitory rooms. A Consonatta Electric Organ costing $2,169.00 was placed in the large reception room in Dobbins Hall, which room will be used for chapel purposes for the present.

INTERIM DIRECTOR—Because of the need of having someone on the property, as well as to have someone care for the needs of the institution and to supervise a program of activity looking toward the opening of the Seminary this Fall, the Board of Directors called The Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner, D.D., to serve as Interim Director. Dr. Getzendaner has played a very important part in current developments. He and his good wife have been very gracious hosts to the many people who have visited the grounds and to groups which have used the buildings for conference meetings.

DEDICATION—Official dedication of the Seminary property took place on January 27, 1951, at 3:00 p.m., with proper services conducted by the officers of the Board. The Service of Dedication was held in Dobbins Hall. The Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., Executive Secretary of The Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America, a man to whom the Board owes a great debt, was the guest speaker. His subject was "Lutheran Theological Education on the West Coast."

A second service of jubilation was held on the same date at 8:00 p.m. in the First Congregational Church, Berkeley, with pastors of the California and Pacific Synods participating. The Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D., President Emeritus, Northwestern Seminary, Minneapolis, Minn., guest speaker, had as his topic, "The Church's Glorious Teaching Tradition." At this service, combined Lutheran choirs of the Bay Area, under the direction of Mr. Howard Harrisville, presented special music. The organist for both services was Mr. Hugh Brown, organist of St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley, Calif. Greetings were read from Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President of the ULCA, and from The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of the California Synod. Personal greetings were given by The Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., President of the Pacific Synod; Dr. Gould Wickey in behalf of The Board of Education of the ULCA; Mr. Alvin Randall, lay representative of the Seminary Board; and by The Rev. Laurance Cross, Mayor of the City of Berkeley. It is estimated that a total of fifteen hundred persons from seven states and Canada attended the Dedication Day services. It should be noted that among this number were many pastors, pastors' wives, and lay representatives from the Pacific Synod, who were in the city to hold a pre-Lenten retreat on the Seminary grounds.

Two special gifts were received by the Board on Dedication Day. The first was a gift of $300 from the student body of Northwestern Seminary for the Library Fund. The second gift was a copy of a sketch of Martin Luther by Louis Cranach sent from the Kirchliche Hochschule in Berlin, the only Lutheran theological seminary behind the Red Curtain in Germany.

FACULTY—The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., pastor of Holy Trinity Church, New York City, and former President of Chicago Lutheran Seminary, has accepted the call of the Board of Directors to become the President of the Seminary. Calls

have been extended to professors for the chairs of Church History and Biblical Theology, but acceptances have not been received at the time of preparation of this report. Induction of the President and Installation of the Faculty will take place on October 17, 1952, with Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President of the ULCA, as guest speaker. Other prominent church leaders will participate in the service.

STUDENTS—At the time of the preparation of this report, nineteen students have filed applications for entrance this Fall. Twenty-two other persons have requested application forms or information as to courses to be given. Registration of students has been set for September 11-12, with classes to begin on September 15.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY—On January 29, 1952, the Board of Directors approved the constitution of a proposed women's auxiliary, and authorized the development of said organization. The permanent organization of this body took place on March 26, at the Seminary with Dr. James P. Beasom as guest speaker. The purpose of the organization is to solicit the support of the women of the church through the medium of organized chapters in the various congregations on the territory.

FINANCIAL—Both the California and Pacific Synods now contribute $1.25 per Communing Member toward the operating expense of the Seminary. The Board of Education of the ULCA made a grant of $7,500.00 for the years of 1952-53. The Seminary received $32,000.00 from the Special Aid Fund of CHEY, and to date has received seven distributions of CHEY funds amounting to $60,178.00. The California Synod is now in the process of raising $250,000.00 for the Seminary. The Synodical Board of the Pacific Synod has approved a special campaign for additional funds for the institution.

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board, a study of the current and future financial needs was made. This report will be available by the time of the Convention of Synods.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL V. TAMBERT
O. E. NELSON
WILLIAM B. SCHEEHL

He announced that the President and two professors had definitely been engaged and the fourth is under consideration; 31 students have been enrolled and 15 of these are married. He introduced the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Director of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal who outlined the progress to date.

The Rev. H. Paul Romeis presented the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the California Synod is currently engaged in the greatest undertaking in its history, the raising of a minimum of $250,000 for the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, many of the congregations are active in the effort, expending large amounts of time and energy with the result that they are reporting substantial amounts already assured in the Appeal; and

WHEREAS, some of the congregations, due to local conditions have not yet become actively engaged in the Appeal and thus have not yet begun to meet their fair share of this common responsibility; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that having heard with profound joy and with gratitude to God the early reports from many congregations, but realizing that in other congregations the Appeal has not yet been launched, the Synod of California now earnestly calls upon each congregation which has been forced to delay its efforts for the Appeal, to inaugurate and carry forward as promptly as possible such local procedures as will assure a complete congregational response to the end that the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary may receive the direly needed funds promised to it, and that the joy of a total victory may be shared by each congregation, and further,

BE IT RESOLVED, that every congregation in Synod be encouraged to stretch itself in attaining its full share and more in this glorious cause, and that every active pastor and his laymen commit themselves to a statement of proposed Appeal procedure in their congregation before leaving this 1952 convention of Synod.

They were adopted.

Motion prevailed that the Board be instructed to submit a financial statement to the Executive Committee of Synod for inclusion in the Minutes.

The Report was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Titus R. Scholl introduced Mr. Kenneth Holst, Executive Secretary of the Church Films Libraries, who spoke on the service which the Libraries are equipped to render to the Sunday Schools and congregations in the Synod.

The tellers reported the following election results:

Clergy delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention—the Rev. Henry Scherer, the Rev. Paul H. Wolpert.

Clergy alternates to the U.L.C.A. Convention:

1. the Rev. Robert S. Romeis
2. the Rev. J. George Dorn, D.D.
3. the Rev. J. Benner Weaver
4. the Rev. E. Dale Click
5. the Rev. Quentin P. Garman
6. the Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D.
7. the Rev. Charles A. Miley
8. the Rev. Titus R. Scholl
9. the Rev. George A. Spindt

Lay alternates to the U.L.C.A. Convention:

1. Mr. Robert Inslee
2. Mr. Howard Weisman
3. Mr. George F. Kohl
4. Mr. Robert Brammer
5. Mr. E. Ronnie Gower
6. Mr. H. Berry
7. Mr. Ritz Heerman
8. Mr. R. J. Miller

The session was adjourned with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod.

SIXTH SESSION

The sixth session was opened May 8, 1952 at 2:00 p.m. with devotions led by the Rev. George A. Spindt.

Minutes of the Fourth and Fifth Sessions were approved as distributed.

The Report of the Parish and Church School Committee was presented by The Rev. Titus Scholl.

REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Since October, 1951, we have had 80 showings of individual teacher-training filmstrips by 25 pastors before their Workers' Conferences. Several men have access to these aids from other sources. We urge the 42 pastors and 42 Church School Superintendents who have not used them to mail in their requests to Mrs. David Epple, 3359 Canyon Crest Road, Altadena, Calif.

Plans for 1952 are as follows:

1) Continued use of Synod's 20 copies of 10 teacher-training filmstrips and records.

2) We are hoping to conduct Vacation Church School Workshops in Synod in the Spring.

3) In the Fall, we shall have the best treatment ever from the Board's field representative. His time in Synod will be doubled over previous years and his efforts will be designed to go deeper down into our parish education life. Time of the project is October 19 - November 17. The man will be the Rev. George Ammon, Associate Secretary of the Board in charge of Audio-Visual Aids. He will conduct:

A) 21—8:00 P.M. area meetings (calling together several churches) to present the 1952 Board—ULCA emphasis upon the Bible; he will preview four new filmstrips on the effective use of the Bible for four age-levels.

B) 19—12:00 Noon meetings with individual church's Workers' Conferences, to discuss their problems and needs first-hand.

C) 21—6:00 P.M. meetings like the 12:00 Noon meetings above.

4) During 1952 we shall plan for at least two Leadership Training Schools to improve our teachers.

At the 12 area meetings led by the Rev. Harner Middleswarth last Fall, 56 congregations sent 462 laymen and 46 pastors, or an average of 38.5 per meeting.

Mrs. Edward N. Spirer, Synodical Treasurer of Children of the Church, reports that $188.98 was forwarded to Synod in 1951 from the 3 Children of the Church groups of St. John's, Sacramento, North Hollywood, and San Bernardino.

Your committee recommends highly:

1. The use of the Parent's Quarterly and "PTA" emphasis in the Church School.

2. That every church hold a first-class Vacation Church School during the Summer to maintain high interest when things are expected to be at low ebb; that churches consider scheduling their VCS for the **last** weeks of the Summer, when there are no other such schools, possibly, and when such a schedule will afford a beautiful tie-in with the September Church School "revival."

3. That Church Schools supplement any teacher-training program they may have with the monthly showing of one of the ten teacher-training filmstrips distributed by this committee through Mrs. Epple.

4. That Church Schools give gift subscriptions to "The Parish School" to every teacher.

5. That Church Schools make September a real revival time in church school activities, heading it all up on the last Sunday in the month by inducting officers and teachers at the church service on that day, and by holding Rally and Promotion Day on that Sunday.

INFORMATION: Since the U.L.C.A. is giving special emphasis to **"The Bible in Daily Living"** in 1952, the P. & C. S. Board is also placing special emphasis on the same and will be furnishing a number of resources for the churches:

a. In January you received a **Resource Book,** Posters, and tracts.

b. A 32-minute motion picture, **45 Tioga Street,** a motivation picture to help people see what intimate fellowship with the Bible offers to those who live with the Bible.

c. Four filmstrips on how to teach the Bible, prepared by the Board of Education of the ULCA, ELC, Augustana Synod, and Missouri Synod.

1. Teaching the Bible to the Pre-School Child
2. Teaching the Bible to Children, age 6-11
3. Teaching the Bible to High School Youth
4. Teaching the Bible to Adults

These filmstrips will be available to congregations free through the Synodical Committee on Parish Education.

ENLISTMENT: Statistics for 1950 show an increase in enrollment in every educational agency in the congregation except for Children of the Church. The Sunday School enrollment increased from 836,818 in 1949 to 860,761 in 1950. This is by far the largest Sunday School enrollment in the history of the ULC, but there is still a great field for growth by way of the nursery roll, vacation church school, weekday church school, and home department.

SPECIAL CAMP COURSES: Special camp cources for Juniors, Intermediates, and Seniors have been prepared. All of these will emphasize "The Bible in Daily Living."

THE VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL: Texts for 1952 will be distributed around March 1, 1952. Again the theme will be The Bible in Daily Living. The courses will have a uniform topic and will be provided for all age groups from nursery to adult. This committee is seeking information of the P. & C. S. Board as to how we might conduct our own VCS Workshops in the California Synod, since the Board did not see fit to conduct such schools for us, though we requested it.

Respectfully submitted,

ORVAL AWERKAMP
TITUS SCHOLL, Chairman
G. T. OLSON

The Report was adopted.

Dr. Frederick R. Knubel addressed the Convention and discussed important business and questions to come before the U.L.C.A. Convention next October.

Mr. Howard Logan presented the Report of the Committee on Student Work. He introduced The Rev. Clyde Grimsvedt, Western Regional L.S.A. Director; The Rev. George A. Spindt, in charge of organizing L.S.A. work in Southern Arizona; Miss Jean Gringle, L.S.A. Director in Northern California; and The Rev. Oscar Ice, Director of L.S.A. work in Southern California, who spoke briefly on the work being done.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK

The Committee on Student Work has held no meetings during the year. This is not, however, any indication of the progress, interest or developing plans for student work on the territory of our Synod. A number of major changes have occurred during the year and we note them here for the record.

First: The Division of Student Service, for the first time established an office for the Western Regional Secretary at Berkeley. The Rev. Clyde Grimstvedt, E.L.C., accepted the call to this work succeeding Miss Norma Arneson and has his office in the new student center at Berkeley. Rev. Grimstvedt travels in the Western states giving counsel to Foundations and interpreting the student ministry to congregations. Also located at the student center in Berkeley is Miss Jean Gringle, counselor for students at the University of California.

Second: The long needed student center at Berkeley was dedicated this past year and provides a building well equipped to provide the ministry to students in that area. The building is worth your inspection the next time you visit Berkeley. It is unusual in its appointments and functional in design.

Third: The first International Work Camp held in the U. S. was held on the territory of our Synod at Mt. Cross Bible Camp. These work camps have been held in Europe before and this year a number of foreign students assembled at Mt. Cross to undertake a work project as well as to study the Bible and discuss their religious problems.

Fourth: The Lutheran Student Foundation of Southern California has a new Executive Director. Rev. F. J. Schenk resigned to accept a call to home mission work for the E.L.C. The Rev. Oscar Ice, A.L.C., formerly of El Cerrito, Calif., is the new campus pastor in Southern California. He was installed in November, 1951, with the Rev. Carl Tambert preaching the sermon.

Fifth: There is a growing need for work in other areas of our Synod which must be met. The San Diego area, for example, is anxious that some permanent work be established there. The number of schools in the area between Los Angeles and Redlands indicates that some permanent arrangements will be needed out there. The Lutheran Student Foundation of Southern California is giving attention to placing graduate assistants in some of these areas as well as replacing full-time counselors with graduate assistants in the Los Angeles area.

Conclusion: It is a rather strange situation in which our Synod finds itself, as relates to Student Work. Strange, because Synod has no official representation in this work. Our congregations, people, and auxiliaries are making contributions, and part of our U.L.C.A. apportionment goes to the Foundations, but the people who serve as U.L.C.A. representatives, at least on the Board in Southern California, represent no one unless their congregations are members and appoint them as representatives. This matter should commend itself to Synod if for no other reason than for the stewardship of funds coming from our congregations. It seems to the Chairman of this Committee at least, that we should act to make possible official recognition of this work. Further, we should also examine what the other Lutheran bodies are doing in these areas so far as financial support is concerned and make some attempt to provide an appropriation for this work.

HOWARD L. LOGAN, Chairman

ROSS HIDY
GEORGE SPINDT
A. J. SOLDAN
CHARLES A. MILEY
J. WILLIAM BOWMAN

The Report was adopted.

The motion prevailed that pending the approval of the constitutions of the Northern and Southern L.S.A. Foundations, the Executive Committee of the Synod be requested to consider financially strengthening the Student Foundation ministry on the territory of our Synod.

Sister Mary Jane Jessen, representative of the Board of Deaconess Work, was introduced and addressed the Convention concerning the vital work being done by this Board.

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

Your Committee on Letters and Papers reports that messages were sent at the request of Synod to:

The Rev. H. C. Lindsay, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Phoenix, Ariz., who at the time of the Convention was hospitalized in the Good Samaritan Hospital in Phoenix owing to a serious illness, assuring him of our prayerful sympathy and hopes for his speedy recovery.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Florida assembled in Convention at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Lake City, Fla. (The Rev. Royall A. Yount, President) greetings and assurance of our prayers in their behalf from The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID E. ROBISON, Chairman
WILLIAM CAPEL
PHIL FRENCH

The Report of the Southern Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

At the meeting of the Southern Conference of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of California, on May 1, 1952, the following were elected as officers of the Conference:

The Rev. Carl Tambert, President
The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, Vice President
The Rev. Charles P. Smith, Secretary
The Rev. Arthur Alm, Treasurer

The dates of the fall meeting of the Conference were set for September 15-16, 1952. The Conference will meet in Santa Barbara.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. CHARLES P. SMITH, Sec.

The Report of the Northern Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE

The Treasurer's Report was accepted with a balance of $36.92.

Motion passed that $25 be sent to the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches.

Motion passed that the Northern Conference request the Resolution Committee to present to Synod the request of the Northern Conference that Synod authorize the Executive Committee of Synod to transmit to the United Lutheran Church's Executive Board the constitution of the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches for approval.

Motion passed to send the Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California $25 upon receipts of funds.

Mr. George Miksch of First Church, Fresno, was elected Treasurer.

Motion passed that the officers of the Northern Conference arrange for the Conference fall meeting to be held some time after the United Lutheran Church Convention.

Moved that the president of the Northern Conference be empowered to appoint a committee on Home Missions for the Conference.

Moved to increase the Northern Conference dues to $5 a church.

Moved that the Treasurer send out regular statements.

Motion for adjournment prevailed and passed.

Respectfully,

E. DALE CLICK, Secretary

The Rev. Frank H. Clutz presented the Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee presents the following resolutions: BE IT RESOLVED,

1. That the Synod express by rising vote its grateful appreciation to The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz and the members of the congregation of First English Lutheran Church of Los Angeles for entertaining so graciously this Sixty-first Convention.

2. That we extend our President, Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., our profound gratitude for his consecrated leadership and vision; that we assure him of our thankful prayers that God has supported and comforted him in his illness and of our continuing petitions that our Heavenly Father will bestow His mercy on him that he may be fully restored to his normal and needed services in the work of the Kingdom.

3. That we thank and commend the convention Chaplain, Pastor Vlad P. Benko, for the inspiration of his services during the several sessions of Synod, and that he lead the convention in a prayer for the ordering of the life of the world in accord with God's Will and Peace.

4. That the Synod extend to The Rev. Frederick R. Knubel, D.D., LL.D., the official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, its genuine gratitude for his presence, his counsel, his presentation of the Knubel-Miller lectures, and his description of the program of our United Lutheran Church, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United Lutheran Church.

5. That Synod express its deepest thanks to the President, faculty, board, and student body of Central Lutheran Theological Seminary for every contribution to the program, personnel, and progress of the California Synod in past years, that we assure them that this heritage will encourage and strengthen us as we undertake the establishment of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary, and that we pray God's blessing on the future life and ministry of Central Seminary.

6. That we rejoice in the guidance of God in the plans for the establishment of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, the selection of President Foelsch and the faculty, and that we pray the continued guidance of the Holy Spirit in completing all arrangements necessary to the opening of the institution.

7. That Synod recognize with gratitude all earnest and able workers in the Seminary Appeal, particularly The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, and implore the blessing of God on the effort that it may reach a successful conclusion.

8. That we congratulate the Women's Missionary Society of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California on 60 years of noble history and faithful service, extend the women our thanks for all they have accomplished in the past, and pledge them our cooperation in the future.

9. That Synod commend the California Lutheran Home on its progress as evidenced in the new infirmary recently constructed, assure Pastor Ebright a cordial welcome, and extend warmest greetings to the staff and guests.

10. That the auditors, Mr. Bernard L. Wahl and Mr. C. J. Walraven who serve the Synod gratuitously and ably be extended our sincere thanks.

11. That the Executive Committee of Synod consider the advisability of discontinuing the Committee on the State of the Church and relegating its duties to the Committee on Faith and Life.

12. That Synod go on record in opposition to any move to appoint a representative of the United States of America, or its president, to the Vatican State, and that we ask the congregations also to act in like manner and that we send this resolution to all senators and congressmen from our territory and to the President of the United States and the Secretary of State.

13. That a Committee on Elections be appointed by the Executive Committee to outline procedures for next year's elections, patterned after the procedures at the United Lutheran Church Conventions.

14. That, whereas two new fields are being developed in Arizona this year, bringing the total number of congregations in that state to six, and because other fields are being contemplated on its territory, the Executive Committee of Synod be requested to formulate plans for the establishment of an Arizona Conference.

15. That we convey our thanks to Mr. Howard Logan and the committees responsible for arranging the Joint Lutheran Convention.

16. That the Convention extend appreciation for the presence and messages of Dr. W. P. Hieronymus, Dr. Paul Empie, and other distinguished visitors and guests.

17. That in future Conventions of Synod, definite time be allocated for the presentation of the work in unique congregations and situations, e.g., the Trailer Ministry, new mission fields being developed, the Hawaiian fields, etc.; that top priority be given these considerations.

18. That the Executive Committee investigate the possibility and plausibility of holding future annual Synodical Conventions in a secluded resort area (such as Camp Yolijwa, Pacific Palisades, guest ranch) which is more conducive to concentration, inspiration, and fellowship than is possible to achieve under the existing practice of holding conventions in large cities.

19. That we proceed with the investigation for membership in the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches.

20. That we humbly thank the Great Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, for His innumerable blessings on our Synod during the past 61 years, that we implore His guidance and benediction on us in the coming year, and that the Chaplain be asked to include petitions to this effect in his closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CLUTZ, Chairman
THOMAS ALLPORT
ELWOOD SCHWENK
EDWARD MATTSON
JOHN E. MILLER
CLARENCE DERR

Motion prevailed that the Report be considered seriatim.

Items 1 to 9 were adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that item 10 be adopted. The motion was made and seconded that item 10 be amended by insertion of the names of the auditors. The amendment was seconded and carried. The amended resolution was carried.

Item 11 was adopted.

The motion was made that item 12 be adopted. Motion was seconded. The motion was made that it be amended by the addition of the words "and that we ask the congregations also to act in like manner and that we send this resolution to all senators and congressmen from our territory and to the President of the United States and the Secretary of State."

The amendment was carried. The amended resolution was adopted.

Item 13 was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that item 14 be adopted. The motion was made and seconded that we change the word "formulate" to the word "consider." The motion was carried.

The motion was made and seconded that we add "and conferences in other outlying areas." The motion was lost.

The amended resolution was carried.

Item 15 was adopted.

Item 16 was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that item 17 be referred to the Executive Committee with the indication of our favorable interest. The motion was carried.

The motion was made and seconded that item 18 be adopted. The motion was lost.

The motion was made that item 19 be adopted. Motion was seconded. The motion was made that the following motion be substituted: "That Synod express a desire to become a part of the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches subject to the necessary steps by the Executive Committee."

The motion was made and seconded that we substitute for the substitute motion the following: "That we proceed with the investigation for membership in the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches." The motion was carried. The substitute for the substitute motion was carried.

Item 20 was adopted.

Motion prevailed that the report as voted and amended item by item be adopted.

The Rev. Quentin Garman presented the Report of the Committee on the President's Report.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we examine the President's Report for 1951, we become immediately aware of the fact that in the guidance of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California of the United Lutheran Church in America there has been a constant awareness of Christ's living presence and the power of the Living Word In A Responsible Church.

We thank God for the marvelous and victorious march of the Living Word and that our President has never flagged in zeal but has always pointed us toward even greater attainments for Christ and His Kingdom.

In spite of a sudden illness which compelled our President to stop momentarily in his arduous life for hospitalization, God has opened a new avenue for restudy of the Church's program during his period of convalescence. We are deeply grateful that the Living Word continues to march forward as others step forward to assist our President in the molding of a Responsible Church under God.

In order that every pastor and congregation understands the spirit and emphases of the President's Report, we make the following recommendations:

1. That the President have prepared a statement explaining what Synod actually is for each delegate to take home and present as the first item of his report to the Church Council and congregation.

2. That the Faith and Life Committee be instructed to launch a vigorous program of Christian Catechetics to carry out the theme of The Living Word In A Responsible Church.

3. That in order for A Responsible Church to become an informed Church:

A. That Synod confer with the Women's Missionary Society about a special period for a Synodical-wide program of education in World Missions.

B. That we cooperate with the Women's Missionary Society in a special enlistment period to encourage every woman in every congregation to become an active member of the Missionary Society.

C. That the Synod express its approval of providing a monthly news bulletin for the members of the congregations disseminating information about the missions and stewardship.

D. That the Men's Brotherhoods be encouraged in providing great mass rallies, workshops and summer retreats so that our laymen continue their fine interest in the Church.

4. That each congregation attempt at least two concerted Synodical efforts of Evangelism emphases each year and that the Executive Committee make proper preparations for the same.

A. The period of December, 1952, be designated as Synodical Jubilee Month with special emphasis on every member attending every service every Sunday during that month.

B. The period from Easter to Pentecost be set aside with a reconsecration service on Easter Sunday stressing soul-winning and every Sunday attendance to Pentecost.

5. That we continue to deepen the benefits of a dynamic program of Christian Stewardship by

A. Recognizing that the first responsibility of our benevolent funds from our congregations should be allocated to meet our 1952 Apportionment goals in full.

B. Placing upon the hearts and consciences of our people the compassionate call of Christ to consider as a privilege our service through Lutheran World Action in meeting the needs of the world.

C. Organizing Church Councilmen's Rallies to be held throughout Synod during the Fall of 1952 and the Fall of 1953 on a Christian Stewardship Workshop basis to give to the congregations the help and methods to meet their own Stewardship needs.

D. Providing subsequent to the Church Councilmen's Rallies, Congregational Rallies to be held in each congregation, in which Christian Stewardship Workshops will be set up, based upon the information gathered at the Church Councilmen's Rallies.

6. That, since for the first time the United Lutheran Church in America will hold its Convention on the West Coast in Seattle, Washington, October 8-15, 1952, and in order that the full impact of this Convention might be felt in the life of each and every one of the congregations on this territory, we instruct the Executive Committee to write to each congregational Secretary urging that every congregation make it possible for their pastor to attend and provide a portion of his expenses.

7. That we recognize the tremendous job that is being done for Christ by the Division of Church Extension of Synod under the tireless direction of Dr. Edward N. Spirer, and special prayers be made in his behalf that God will continue to grant him strength for the demands of his ministry.

8. That, because of the great efforts already made on behalf of the Pacific Seminary Appeal, we pledge our congregations to further unswerving loyalty and devotion to the gathering of these funds to insure the future of this most vital work.

9. That, as indicated by our President's Report, the salaries and allowances for our pastoral family should continue to be of vital importance to our President, and since congregations appreciate his understanding counsel on this matter, we urge him to again guide our congregations, preferably in August, September and October, before the 1953 budgets are completed.

10. Recognizing the President's emphases for a Responsible Church that Synod instruct the Conferences for their meetings to provide a time for the exchange of ideas about effective techniques and methods which are now being successfully used on the territory of Synod for the training of laymen in Evangelism, Catechetics, Religious Education, Youth Work and Leadership Training.

Thus, as we bring this report to a close, we are deeply mindful of the devotion and sacrifices which our President, the pastors and the lay members of Synod have made for our Lord and His Church. We urge that schools of prayer and the power of prayer groups be stressed in our congregations, that our lay delegates urge their fellow-members to pray regularly for the President of Synod, for others in authority, and for their own pastor. That under God this year, our Church may continue to become known as a Praying Church and that The Living Word may find an atmosphere of prayer encompassing A Responsible Church.

Our final word is directed to our President that he know the concern, love and respect of the whole Church during this convalescent period. So he may know that we who are his intimate brothers in Christ have complete confidence in the Great Physician to provide the healing, victorious power for him to continue to move forward as our President, we recommend:

A. That the complete confidence of the whole Synod be expressed as we pledge our Lord to "hold up his hands" by rising and having a few moments of silent prayer, when all may lift their petitions to God to consecrate us anew, President and congregations, pastors and laymen, as co-laborers with each other and with The Living Word in His Holy work.

B. That the President of Synod be urged to take numerous or extended vacation periods for his complete recovery.

C. That since our President's trip to the World Convention of the Lutheran Federation for 1952 has been cancelled due to his illness, we recommend that the President of Synod be instructed to take a summer vacation in Europe for 1953 and

that Synod will go on record that it will pay his and Mrs. Beasom's transportation and that the Executive Committee will work out an arrangement whereby the affairs of the Synod may be taken care of during his absence.

QUENTIN GARMAN, Chairman
MILUS BONKER
EUGENE HOEFTMAN
GILBERT OLSON

Motion prevailed that the resolutions in the Report be considered seriatim.

Item 1 was adopted.

Item 2 was adopted.

The motion was made and seconded that item 3 be adopted. The motion was made that the following be substituted for item C: "That the Synod express its approval of providing a monthly news bulletin for the members of the congregations disseminating information about the missions and stewardship. The motion was carried. The amended item was adopted.

Items 4 to 8 were adopted.

Item 9 was adopted with the word "August" being inserted by common consent before the word "September."

Item 10 was adopted.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

The Report of the Claims Committee was adopted.

The Secretary of Synod resubmitted the following items for the Executive Committee Report:

PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED WHEN THERE IS A VACANCY IN THE PULPIT OF A CONGREGATION

1. As soon as a pastor has made a decision to accept a call, subject to the acceptance of his resignation from his present pastorate, he shall submit his resignation to the Church Council of his congregation. He should follow the same procedure should he decide to demit the ministry or retire from the ministry. He should, thus, submit his resignation to the Church Council of the congregation he is serving.

2. The Church Council shall immediately:

a. Inform the President of Synod of the resignation of the pastor.

b. Call a congregational meeting for the action upon the resignation submitted by the pastor and inform the President of Synod of such a congregational meeting.

3. As soon as a congregation has accepted the resignation of the pastor, the Church Council or a Pulpit Committee of the Church Council or a Pulpit Committee appointed by the Church Council shall meet as early as possible with the President of Synod or someone appointed by the President of Synod for the purpose of receiving the advice and counsel of Synod regarding the filling of the pulpit.

The Pulpit Committee should never recommend to the Church Council and the Church Council should never recommend to the congregation the name of any pastor to be called without first consulting with the President of Synod or his appointee concerning the man's qualifications for the office.

5. After the Pulpit Committee of the congregation has come to a definite decision regarding the calling of a pastor, this decision shall be presented to the Church Council and the Church Council shall make the recommendation to the congregation for action by the congregation.

6. As soon as the time for the congregational meeting has been set for the calling of a pastor, the President of Synod should be notified of the date, time, and place of this meeting and he may or may not be present and represented.

7. The congregation in calling a pastor should vote by ballot. No pastor can be called to be the pastor of that congregation unless action has been taken by the congregation involved.

8. The congregation may give consideration to and act upon the calling of only one individual at a time.

9. If the congregation is a mission congregation, either with Salary Aid or wi a Board loan, or both, then the Church Council should receive the approval of T Board of American Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America befo submitting the name to the congregation for the call.

10. A congregation of Synod cannot extend a call to a pastor without first co sulting with the President of Synod or the Executive Committee of Synod concerni his qualifications necessary to fulfill the requirements of the constitution of t congregation and the constitution of Synod.

11. If the congregation is a mission congregation on Salary Aid at the time the calling of a pastor, four Salary Aid application forms must be filled out a the resolution acted upon. All four forms, after being acted upon and signed, shou be returned to the President of Synod.

12. The regular "Call" form that will be supplied by the President of Synod the congregation should be used in the calling of a pastor. In the case of the missi congregation, four forms should be filled out. The original should be sent to t pastor called; the second should be kept in the files of the Secretary of the cong gation; the other two copies should be sent to the office of the President of Sync In the case of a self-supporting congregation, three copies of the "Call" should filled out. The original sent to the pastor called; the second kept in the files of t Secretary of the congregation; the third sent to the office of the President of Sync

13. As soon as the congregation has heard from the pastor whether he w accept or not, this information should be transmitted to the President of Syn immediately. If there has been a favorable reply, the Church Council should arran with the President of Synod for the time of the pastor's installation. The pastor not the official pastor of the congregation until he is officially installed by the Pre dent of Synod, or someone appointed by him.

14. Should the reply from the pastor be negative, the procedure, as indicat above, should be followed again.

15. Any problems involved with the calling of a pastor should be discussed wi the President of Synod or his appointee.

16. The foregoing procedures should be understood as being helpful both to t congregations involved and The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, th things might be done in an orderly fashion, thereby protecting both the congregati and the Synod of California.

17. It is understood that the power and authority to "Call" reposes within t congregation and only at such times as a Board or Synodical Missionary shall sent to the congregation, at the request of a congregation, shall there be any varian in the procedures indicated.

The Executive Committee recommends the foregoing procedures in the case vacancies of pulpits within congregations be followed and that a list of the procedures be sent to the pastors and congregations immediately and submitt to the May Convention for approval.

The motion prevailed that the Report of the Executive Committee with t amended items be adopted.

The following items for the Supplemental Report of the Executive Committee we resubmitted:

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For the Information of the Synod.

The Executive Committee has made a thorough study of health plans a inasmuch as the Blue Cross plan has now opened the way to individual membe ship at no higher rate than those offered in group plans, we suggest to those pasto interested in hospital insurance that they investigate this plan.

Item 4.

That the Executive Committee of Synod be granted the power to authorize t President of Synod to ordain Seminary graduates ad interim when they have bee approved by the Examining Committee of Synod and have received a call.

Item 5.

Because the constantly rising cost of living has made the pension to be realized under the present system inadequate, we recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to approach congregations being served by pastors of the Synod now enrolled in the Contributory Pension Plan and recommend that the congregations seriously consider increasing their contribution to the Pension Plan to 8 per cent and that they further recommend to the pastors that they reconsider the matter of increasing their own contribution to the Plan.

Item 4 was adopted.

Item 5 was adopted.

The motion prevailed that the Supplemental Report of the Executive Committee with the amended items be adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Excuses was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES

Your Committee has received requests from the following clerical members of Synod to be excused from all or part of the sessions of the Convention: Dwight L. Miley, Henry Irving Kohler, H. C. Lindsay, R. Kjeldahl, J. C. Bitter, Willis J. Forsyth, and Orval Awerkamp. From the following lay-delegates similar requests were received: J. Henry Miller and Albert L. H. Gercke.

We recommend that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,
GUY L. HUDSON
CLARENCE F. CROUSER
HOYT KLINK

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was adopted.

REPORT OF SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Social Missions Committee met five times during the year 1951. The meetings were well attended and a spirit of interest prevailed. The main themes and projects for the year were as follows:

1. EVANGELISM—In March we were privileged to have on the territory of Synod the leaders of the Evangelism program of the U.L.C.A. The Rev. Royal E. Lesher, The Rev. Peter Dexnis, and the Rev. Clifton M. Weihe outlined in detail a six point program to be followed in all of the congregations. These workshop meetings were well attended in all three areas of the Synod. Our heart-felt thanks is extended to these faithful men of the Church.

2. SPECIAL MEETINGS—The Rev. Arthur Alm was commissioned to attend the School on Marriage and the Family at Wittenberg College, sponsored by the Board of Social Missions of the U.L.C.A. Pastor Alm also attended the Yale School of Alcoholic Studies at New Haven, Conn. He was one selected by the N.L.C. to attend this interdenominational school. Pastor Alm reported his findings at the convention at Berkeley and also at several of the auxiliary meetings of Synod.

3. PREACHING MISSIONS—It was agreed that Preaching Missions are a MUST for every Church of the Synod. In October Dr. Franklin Koch and the Rev. Peter Dexnis of the Board of Social Missions conducted Preaching-Mission Workshops in the synodical area for the benefit of the pastors of Synod. Several of the Churches have already conducted the preaching mission with a good measure of success. Other Churches are planning them for the future, and those who have made no response are urged to follow through on this vital program.

4. COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES—The committee has been working with the Northern and Southern Welfare Councils of the area; the California Lutheran Home for the Aged; the National Lutheran Council; and the California Lutheran Hospital. We receive reports of their activities through the committeemen who are active in the respective fields. The Rev. John Stump presented the six goals of the National Christian Teaching Mission which he highly endorsed through his work in the Berkeley area. He recommended it for other Churches.

5. The Committee expresses its appreciation for the cooperation which is received from the pastors and laymen of Synod, the Executive Committee, President Beasom, and the visiting leaders of the Lutheran Church who worked with us.

May we suggest a review of Matthew 25: 31-46 for the scope of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD HOLAND, Chairman
LOUIS F. MERTZ, Secretary
J. E. ACKERMAN
GUY L. HUDSON
FREDERICK A. SMITH, Th.D.
H. I. KOHLER
JOHN P. STUMP
B. EDERMA
EDWARD MATTSON, S.T.D.

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

During the past year the activities of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California have been noted frequently in publications throughout the area we serve.

We have received a great deal of favorable publicity in connection with the building, the dedication, and the opening of new churches. From the evident cooperation of the newspapers, it is certain that much more space would be used if it is supplied regularly.

This is a field of activity in which the local pastors and publicity chairmen of the individual churches should take part. If any of the churches should want assistance in preparing special campaigns—particularly in the development of newspaper advertising programs—your synodical committee stands ready to help. Feel free to write to the chairman at any time.

In addition, part of the public relations activities is the **Golden State Lutheran,** which, of course, you are receiving regularly. It would be a forward step if this news-filled publication could be mailed to the homes of thousands of our members in the West.

Considerable publicity has been secured during the past year on behalf of the new seminary project at Berkeley, Calif. When you are in the Bay City area, you will find it very well worthwhile to visit the two estates located on eight acres of beautiful land overlooking these Golden Gate cities.

We hope to have much more to write about the new seminary during the coming year. In the meantime, if there are young folks in your congregations who are interested in a theological training, we would strongly urge them to look into our new school. It will be outstanding not only in physical facilities, but also in the able leaders who will comprise its teaching staff.

Also part of the public relations effort has been numerous letters to organizations, magazines and individuals. It is our hope that with the growing importance of the Western area a regular public relations office can be established. In this manner, better, more specific plans can be evolved to reach the thousands of unchurched families in the hundreds of communities now served via Lutheran Churches. The story needs constant telling if it is to compete with the commercialism of the thousand and one attractions that keep families from hearing frequently enough the one and only story that will be of importance to them eternally.

Respectfully submitted,

P. O. NARVESON, Chairman
CHARLES HUSHAW
HOWARD LOGAN
J. GEORGE DORN, D.D.
ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ, D.D.

Mr. Wayne Pfundstein presented the

REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE

To the Convention of Synod:

We submit the following summary of transportation expenses of Delegates and other expenses approved by this Committee:

Transportation of Delegates	$ 2,454.31
Other Convention Expenses, Secretarial, Custodian & miscellaneous	80.00
	$ 2,534.31

Respectfully submitted,

WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN
LEO JOHNSTON
CARL A. BELL

The Rev. Carl V. Tambert presented the matter of the transportation of a larger group of pastors to the U.L.C.A. Convention, perhaps providing 2 buses, at the expense of Synod. There was a practically unanimous interest in this trip expressed by the pastors.

Motion was made, seconded, and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to Wayne Pfundstein and the entire office staff for their excellent services.

Invitations to Synod for the 1953 Convention have been given by St. Michael's Berkeley, and Grace, Richmond. On motion made and seconded, it was voted to refer the matter of the place of the next meeting of Synod to the Executive Committee with power to act.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the Executive Committee investigate comprehensive insurance for individual congregations and provide this information with suggestions to the Church Councils of all congregations.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the Committee on Reference and Counsel be given a vote of thanks for their gracious and effective work.

On motion made and seconded, it was voted that the minutes of the Sixth Session be referred to the Executive Committee with power of approval.

President James P. Beasom, Jr., expressed deep appreciation to the pastors, delegates, and officers of Synod for their help in conducting so efficiently the work of the sessions of this meeting of Synod.

All elected officers and committee members were installed by President Beasom.

The Synod was officially closed with the official order by the President.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the Minutes of the 61st Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, held in First Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, California, on May 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 1952.

REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secy.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

GENERAL FUND

Apportionment, Lutheran World Action, CHEY, and Other Benevolences from Church

City	Church	Quota	Apportionment	PerCent	L.W.A.	CHEY	Other	Total
Alhambra,	California Lutheran Home	$ —	$ 232.46	100	$ —	$ 5.00	$ —	$ 237.46
Alhambra,	Grace	2,388.00	2,388.00	100	—	—	—	2,388.00
Alhambra,	Our Saviour's	480.00	492.00	103	75.00	125.00	50.00	742.00
Altadena,	Altadena	1,512.00	1,512.00	100	249.00	426.25	93.85 dr	2,093.40
Angel's Camp,	Mount Olive	—	15.00	100	—	25.00	—	40.00
Azusa,	Calvary	—	143.93	100	15.20	—	—	159.13
Baldwin Park,	Ascension	—	209.71	100	—	—	—	209.71
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	1,524.00	1,524.00	100	—	179.00	—	1,703.00
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	1,272.00	1,272.00	100	—	150.00	—	1,422.00
Culver City,	Grace	1,596.00	1,620.00	101	266.00	—	90.00	1,976.00
El Monte,	Redeemer	456.00	456.00	100	58.75	8.00	—	522.75
Fresno,	Faith	—	214.24	100	—	—	—	214.24
Fresno,	First	2,364.00	2 ,364.00	100	390.00	919.49	—	3,673.49
Fresno,	St. Paul's	1,320.00	675.00	52	218.00	100.00	—	993.00
Fresno,	Wartburg	288.00	289.00	100	48.00	—	—	337.00
Gardena,	St. John's	792.00	826.14	104	154.51	76.10	50.00	1,106.75
Glendale,	First	9,336.00	9,736.00	104	1,700.00	2,942.72	2,282.99	16,661.71
Globe,	Arizona, St. Paul's	252.00	252.00	100	—	6.30	—	258.30
Hollywood,	Hollywood	5,316.00	3,860.31	73	168.00	430.00	29.00	4,487.31
Honolulu,	Honolulu	1,188.00	1,188.00	100	176.75	—	19.70	1,384.45
Pearl Harbor,	Friendship Chapel	276.00	276.00	100	45.00	—	—	321.00
Honolulu,	St. Paul's	552.00	552.79	100	107.81	—	—	660.60
Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	3,324.00	3,324.00	100	—	801.25	33.20	4,158.45
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	3,864.00	3,864.00	100	638.00	985.00	—	5,487.00
La Canada,	Church in Foothills	1,116.00	1,116.00	100	137.69	58.00	—	1,311.69
Las Vegas,	Reformation	660.00	660.00	100	6.00	20.00	—	686.00
Lihue,	T. H., Lihue	324.00	324.00	100	—	—	—	324.00
Long Beach,	Faith	960.00	960.00	100	21.75	10.25	91.48	1,083.48
Long Beach,	Lakewood	780.00	780.00	100	129.00	243.19	6.81	1,159.00

City	Church	Quota	Apportionment	PerCent	L.W.A.	CHEY	Other	Total
Long Beach,	Trinity	4,800.00	4,800.00	100	792.00	150.00	—	5,742.00
Los Angeles,	Advent	3,108.00	3,108.00	100	513.00	636.38	115.17	4,372.55
Los Angeles,	Bethany	912.00	500.35	56	—	75.00	—	575.35
Los Angeles,	First English	7,824.00	8,100.00	104	1,400.00	—	1,585.00	11,085.00
Los Angeles,	St. Mark's	1,260.00	1,048.00	83	184.70	181.00	—	1,413.70
Los Angeles,	Transfiguration	924.00	924.00	100	170.00	—	—	1,094.00
Manhattan Beach,	Trinity	732.00	732.00	100	126.00	—	—	858.00
Monterey Park,	St. Paul's	948.00	960.00	101	173.00	448.25	—	1,581.25
North Hollywood,	St. Matthew's	3,348.00	3,348.00	100	552.00	560.00	250.43	4,710.43
Norco,	Bethany	300.00	300.00	100	—	—	3.00	303.00
Oakland,	First English	2,772.00	2,772.00	100	477.10	—	475.00	3,724.10
Oakland,	St. John's	1,044.00	1,044.00	100	101.75	279.90	25.00	1,450.65
Oakland,	St. Michael's	2,136.00	2,136.00	100	476.27	180.00	70.00	2,862.27
Pasadena,	Trinity	3,864.00	3,864.00	100	1,067.28	121.65	—	5,052.93
Phoenix,	Faith	3,744.00	3,744.00	100	618.00	865.71	—	5,227.71
Phoenix,	Grace	7,896.00	7,896.00	100	1,301.00	300.00	100.00	9,597.00
Pomona,	Trinity	696.00	711.50	102	125.26	—	—	836.76
Redding,	St. James'	276.00	276.00	100	14.45	—	—	290.45
Redding,	United	—	350.20	100	—	—	—	350.20
Redlands,	First	792.00	792.00	100	182.00	153.40	22.00	1,149.40
Redwood City,	Messiah	—	113.00	100	—	25.00	—	138.00
Reno,	Good Shepherd	1,116.00	1,116.00	100	105.00	—	—	1,221.00
Richmond,	Harbor Gate	456.00	456.00	100	80.00	—		536.00
Richmond,	Grace	5,076.00	5,076.00	100	837.00	1,074.94	967.03	7,954.97
Richmond,	St. James'	648.00	648.00	100	107.00	115.00	40.00	910.00
Riverside,	Trinity	1,908.00	1,993.86	104	182.50	210.00	16.70	2,403.06
Sacramento,	First	2,544.00	2,544.00	100	420.00	909.97	—	3,873.97
Sacramento,	St. John's	7,164.00	7,164.00	100	1,389.22	50.00	—	8,603.22
Sacramento,	St. Paul's	924.00	925.87	100	104.57	50.00	—	1,080.44
San Bernardino,	First English	2,448.00	2,448.00	100	418.14	361.54	—	3,227.68
San Diego,	Christ	2,136.00	2,160.00	101	358.20	—	135.00	2,653.20
San Diego,	First	3,024.00	3,024.00	100	253.84	817.41	23.25	4,118.50
San Diego	St. Peter's	780.00	780.00	100	94.38	175.00	—	1,049.38
San Fernando,	St. Mark's	996.00	996.00	100	20.15	20.93	—	1,037.08
San Francisco,	First United	912.00	912.00	100	150.00	285.00	—	1,347.00
San Francisco,	St. Mark's	3,408.00	3,408.00	100	451.69	690.90	212.39	4,762.98

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San Francisco,	St. Matthew's	1,200.00	1,200.00	100	178.00	15.00	125.00	1,518.00
San Francisco,	Temple	852.00	852.00	100	141.00	220.00	—	1,213.00
Sanger,	St. Paul's	492.00	492.00	100	58.97	75.00	—	625.97
San Jose,	Grace	1,656.00	1,662.81	101	273.00	403.35	63.30	2,402.46
San Jose,	Bethany	—	236.27	100	25.85	24.36	35.68	322.16
San Leandro,	Epiphany	1,176.00	1,176.00	100	213.40	70.02	—	1,459.42
San Mateo,	St. Andrew's	1,776.00	1,776.00	100	293.00	352.64	25.69	2,447.33
Santa Ana,	United	—	250.00	100	—	—	—	250.00
Santa Barbara,	Grace	1,296.00	1,375.00	106	302.23	461.00	478.28	2,616.51
Santa Monica,	St: Paul's	3,504.00	2,841.84	84	304.05	1,035.56	5.00	4,186.45
Tucson,	Our Saviour's	2,736.00	2,736.00	100	450.00	590.00	160.00	3,936.00
Vallejo,	St. Paul's	1,884.00	1,886.13	100	327.20	347.40	—	2,560.73
Van Nuys,	St. Andrew's	684.00	811.09	119	111.00	—	—	922.09
Westwood,	Westwood Village	1,260.00	184.12	15	72.45	25.00	—	281.57
Whittier,	Salem	1,656.00	1,673.80	101	330.34	117.50	85.65	2,207.29
Yreka,	Mt. Zion	540.00	540.00	100	11.50	—	—	551.50
Southern Conference	Brotherhood	—	—	—	50.00	—	—	50.00
		$143,568.00	$141,990.42	99	$20,991.95	$19,984.36	$ 7,577.90	$190,544.63

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1	Berkeley	St. Michael's	1913	328 Alcatraz Ave.(Oakland)	Alameda	1	Ross F. Hidy	EG	461	44	..	357	30	..	273	38	..	1
*2	Central Valley	St. James	1049	Central Vrlley	Shasta	4	George K. Atwood	E	33	..	49	22	..	35	18	..	12	2*
*3	Fresno	Eaith	1951	725 Lansing Way	Fresno	2	Goodwin T. Olson	E	189	189	..	91	91	..	71	71	..	3*
4	Fresno	First	1917	630 Ferger Ave.	Fresno	2	Vacant	E	590	..	11	405	..	4	230	..	30	4
5	Fresno	St. Paul's	1913	2122 Lotus Ave.	Fresno	2	August S. Claus	EG	483	..	34	409	..	14	145	..	..	5
6	Fresno	Wartburg	1904	561 "D" St.	Fresno	2	John C. Bitter	EG	213	..	1	169	..	3	30	..	3	6
7	Honolulu	Honolulu	1900	448 So. Beretania, Honolulu 43	Honolulu	1	H. Edward Hamme	E	314	32	..	204	5	..	134	4	..	7
8	Honolulu	Pearl Harbor	1950	Buck St. & Tucker Ave.	Honolulu	1	Waldemar G. Hintz	E	123	21	..	60	7	..	34	4	..	8
9	Honolulo	St. Paul's	1950	3660 Pahoa Ave. Honolulu 16	Honolulu	1	Franklin A. Swanson	E	102	..	2	75	..	3	70	9	..	9
10	Lihue	Lihue	1882	Lihue	Kauai	4	Thomas Allport	E	123	22	..	82	7	..	38	3	..	10
11	Oakland	First	1890	659 16th St. (Zone 12)	Alameda	1	Donald E. Wagner	E	464	..	2	325	..	11	275	..	29	11
12	Oakland	St. John's	1921	1820 55th Ave.	Alameda	1	Philip W. Bergstresser	E	314	24	..	186	16	..	120	5	..	12
*13	Redding	United	1951	Redding, Calif	Shasta	4	George K. Atwood	E	70	70	..	46	46	..	39	39	..	13*
*14	Redwood City	Messiah	1951	651 El Camino Real	San Mateo	2	Dr. Louis G. Gray	E	116	116	..	85	85	..	48	48	..	14*
15	Reno, Nevada	St. James	1947	Masonic Temple	Washoe	2	Albert J. Shandrick	E	251	18	..	138	2	..	124	2	..	15
16	Richmond	Good Shepherd	1924	513 13th St.	Contra Costa	1	J. Edward Oslund	E	1158	..	6	715	48	..	570	12	..	16
17	Richmond	Grace	1950	2900 Meeker Ave. Mail: 513 13th St	Contra Costa	2	Milus W. Bonker	E	101	1	..	55	..	1	50	..	..	17
18	Richmod	Harbor Gate	1946	1963 Carlson Blvd.	Contra Costa	1	Milus W. Bonker	E	190	26	..	106	18	..	95	24	..	18
19	Sacramento	First English	1889	2910 39th St.	Sacramento	1	Casl H. Moyer	E	593	30	..	393	22	..	293	13	..	19
20	Sacramento	St. John's	1867	1701 "L" St.	Sacramento	1	Paul H. Wolpert	E	1574	123	..	1040	73	..	862	75	..	20
21	Sacramento	St. Paul's	1945	2958 59th St.	Sacramento	1	Robert S. Romeis	E	233	..	8	103	..	15	66	..	35	21
22	San Francisco	First English	1886	6555 Geary at 30th Ave.	San Francisco	1	Charles A. Miley	E	150	..	6	106	..	6	94	..	6	22
23	San Francisco	St. Mark's	1849	1135 O'Farrell St.	San Francisco	1	Dwight L. Miley	E	1126	3	..	750	..	6	350	..	25	23
24	San Francisco	St. Matthew's	1895	3281 16th St.	San Francisco	1	J. George Dorn	EG	338	11	..	264	8	..	132	..	..	24
25	San Francisco	Temple	1917	Bay View & Latona Sts.	San Francisco	1	Herman Lucas	E	204	11	..	141	6	..	100	6	..	25
26	Sanger	St. Paul's	1907	1128 "N" St.	Fresno	4	Eldon R. Miller	EG	151	..	43	120	..	23	45	..	9	26
*27	San Jose	Bethany	1951	Tulip and Winchester Roads	Santa Clara	1	Edward J. Lamberts	E	149	149	..	98	98	..	83	83	..	27*
28	San Jose	Grace	1892	59 East Julian St.	Santa Clara	1	George R. Flora	E	526	41	..	319	22	..	194	12	..	28
29	San Leandro	Epiphany	1949	16248 Carolyn St.	Alameda	2	Clarence F. Crouser	E	394	154	..	246	82	..	202	73	..	29
30	San Mateo	St. Andrew's	1944	El Camino Real at 15th Ave.	San Mateo	2	E. Dale Click	E	392	92	..	254	43	..	240	45	..	30
31	Vallejo	St. Paul's	1943	1300 Tuolumne St.	Solano	2	Glen O. Balsley	E	545	14	..	287	..	13	225	18	..	31
32	Yreka	Mt. Zion	1947	417 S. Oregon St.	Siskiyou	4	Kenneth Linton	E	161	24	..	100	10	..	55	..	4	32
	1951 Totals	Congregations 32	....			....	Pastors 43	....	11831	1215	162	7751	719	134	5305	584	153	1951
	1950 Totals	Congregations 28	....			....	Pastors 35	....	10778	1207	148	7166	761	98	4873	567	46	1950
	Increase	4	....			....		....	1053	8	14	585	....	36	442	17	107	Inc.
	Decrease		....			....	8	....					42					Dec.

* New Congregation (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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Index Number	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS											ADULT MEMBERS										EDUCATION																		Index Number
				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss			Accessions					Losses				PARISH														HIGHER				
																								Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church									
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissal 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissal 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
1	461	357	273	7	14	21	3		3	1	7	14		3	11	23	27	64		18	16	34	1	28	111	3	9				18	52	56	3			16	1
*2	33	22	18	8		8			5	17	22		14	3				3	1	10	27	38	1	4	45		8						4					2*
*3	189	91	71	29	86	115	8		6	3	17	98		9	14	23	59	105		7	7	14	1	10	81		16						38					3*
4	590	405	230	18		18	11	1	13		25		7	5	12	3		20	3		21	24	1	22	212		40						17				11	4
5	483	409	145	12		12	4	3	4	21	32		20	1	4	2		7	19	2		21	1	11	68								9				4	5
6	213	169	30	3		3		1			1	2		1				1	4			4	1	5	42								1					6
7	314	204	134	29	6	35	1		7		8	27		1	6	17		24	2	17		19	1	9	63	4	24						8			2	4	7
8	123	60	34	10	9	19			5		5	14		1	1	19		21		7	7	14	1	17	157								6					8
9	102	75	70	9	10	19	3		5	10	18	1		3	7	14	1	25	1	11	16	28	1	5	34			1	5	80			10				2	9
10	123	82	38	13	5	18			3		3	15			9	3		12			5	5	3	16	126								13			7	2	10
11	464	325	275	22	5	27	6		6	6	18	9			14	12	2	28	4	15	20	39	1	14	100		25						14				5	11
12	314	186	120	14	5	19	1		1	9	11	8		6	4	7	3	20		4		4	1	13	73		13						10				3	12
*13	70	46	39	6	23	29	5				5	24		5	6	35	6	52			6	6	1	5	55		6						4				1	13*
*14	116	85	48	14	18	32	1				1	31		6	11	65	5	87			2	2	1	6	53		12						17				1	14*
15	251	138	124	9	10	19	3				3	16		2	8	5	10	25			23	23	1	8	90		40						22					15
16	1158	715	570	74	32	106	4		20	136	160		54	8	40	37	41	126	2	21	55	78	2	34	350		92						63	2			18	16
17	101	55	50	7	20	27	2		4	19	25	2		2	15	5	6	28		7	22	29	1		200								19	1			2	17
18	190	106	95	13	9	22	4			10	14	8		3	8	8	12	31	1		12	13	1	17	174		7						25				2	18
19	593	393	293	25	13	38	9		7	14	30	8		5	22	17	6	50	3	13	12	28	1	19	189		47	1	4				27	1			4	19
20	1574	1090	862	72	23	95	10		9	25	45	50		10	34	47	34	125	6	23	23	52	1	31	235		136				1	12	74	1		1	31	20
21	233	103	66	13	2	15	4		4		8	7			4	15		19		8	26	34	1	32	275		52						30				3	21
22	150	106	94	5	2	7	3	1	4		7			1	6	13		20	5	4	17	26	1	5	72		41						21				5	22
23	1126	750	350	21	7	28	6		8	5	19	9		4	16	26	33	79	5	30	50	85	1	15	100		80						40				12	23
24	338	264	132	9	3	12	7			1	9	3		2	7	2		11	2	1		3	1	7	76								9				9	24
25	204	141	100	7	5	12			2	1	7	5			6	3		9		3		3	1	12	140		11						6				6	25
26	151	120	45	2	8	10		1		30	30		20			11	4	15	2		36	38	1	6	52								3				5	26
*27	149	98	83	27	28	55	4			3	4	51		15	72	18		105	1	2	4	7	1	10	68								97					27*
28	526	319	194	16	8	24	5				5	19		4	15	10	2	31	3	6		9	1	20	139	22	43						63				17	28
29	394	246	202	20	64	84	12	1			12	72		5	37	45	14	101	2	2	15	19		14	267		42						42					29
30	392	254	240	22	50	72	4		15	4	23	49		5	20	54	16	95		33	19	52	1	18	225		32						115				3	30
31	545	287	225	23	18	41	2		2	9	14	27		5	22	23		50	2	12	49	63	1	21	290		40						41				3	31
32	161	100	55	11	3	14						14		5	4	1	1	11	1			1	2	13	136		9						9				1	32
1951	11831	7751	5305	570	486	1056	122	6	133	324	588	583	115	120	435	563	282	1400	69	256	490	815	35	447	4298	28	825	1	5	80	19	64	913	8		10	171	1951
1950	10778	7166	4873	517	337	854	89	3	92	274	458	461	65	134	420	551	269	1374	73	281	357	711	30	408	3852	33	737	1	4	30	18	47	795	5		4	192	1950
Inc.	1053	585	432	53	149	202	33	6	41	50	130	122	50		15	12	13	26			133	104	5	39	446		88		1	56	1	17	118	3		6		Inc.
Dec.														14					4	25						5											21	Dec.

Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Womn's Number	Womn's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. People Number	Y. People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness[3]	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
1	1	28	2	71	4	95	1	13	20,000	18,500	8,000	.....	28,913	75,431	5,490	9,937	1,046	10,983	362	244	285	104	1235	2,230	2,136	2,136	4,366	15,349	1
*2	...	...	1	7	...	...	1	7	17,000	.....	.....	.....	2,000	19,000	15,000	1,507	1,753	3,260	99	...	...	...	39	138	276	276	414	3,674	2*
*3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,000	13,000	12,500	1,135	525	1,660	...	...	...	15	...	15	.....	214	229	1,889	3*
4	1	8	2	76	1	45	1	10	22,500	6,500	35,500	.....	.....	64,500	14,000	6,381	2,383	8,764	947	279	233	40	612	2,111	2,364	2,364	4,475	13,239	4
5	1	20	3	76	...	...	1	16	10,000	5,000	5,000	.....	.....	20,000	.....	5,617	.....	5,617	100	...	...	...	239	393	1,320	675	1,068	6,685	5
6	...	...	1	30	...	...	...	...	7,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,000	.....	2,720	64	2,784	...	...	...	...	48	48	288	289	337	3,121	6
7	...	...	1	24	2	47	1	18	.....	19,967	.....	92,823	63,134	177,924	.....	10,131	5,102	15,233	30	183	...	20	538	771	1,188	1,188	1,959	17,192	7
8	...	...	1	15	...	...	3	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,200	1,200	.....	2,192	1,641	3,833	...	...	...	...	77	77	276	276	353	4,186	8
9	...	...	1	20	1	9	1	14	.....	26,000	3,300	.....	30,000	59,300	55,809	2,626	2,367	4,993	...	...	...	...	107	107	552	552	659	5,652	9
10	...	...	1	14	...	...	1	20	50,000	15,000	.....	.....	.....	65,000	.....	3,250	1,620	4,870	...	...	...	...	850	850	324	324	1,174	6,044	10
11	1	46	2	101	...	...	1	13	30,000	15,000	10,000	.....	.....	55,000	5,247	9,548	1,509	11,057	100	527	95	455	527	1,704	2,772	2,772	4,476	15,533	11
12	1	10	3	56	1	10	...	...	20,000	13,000	4,500	.....	1,000	38,500	7,500	5,162	922	6,084	350	137	...	25	430	942	1,044	1,044	1,986	8,070	12
*13	...	...	1	18	...	...	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,655	.....	1,655	...	...	...	220	34	254	.....	350	604	2,259	13*
*14	...	...	1	15	...	...	1	7	.....	.....	.....	339	.....	339	.....	1,730	113	1,843	25	200	...	...	306	531	.....	113	644	2,487	14*
15	...	...	1	30	...	...	1	15	.....	15,000	.....	.....	20,000	35,000	18,000	5,690	2,956	8,646	...	...	...	...	105	105	1,116	1,116	1,221	9,867	15
16	1	30	1	60	1	20	2	55	35,000	19,000	.....	.....	25,000	79,000	39,227	16,498	10,577	27,075	2749	196	175	315	1715	5,150	5,076	5,076	10,226	33,301	16
17	...	...	1	22	...	...	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,111	.....	1,111	...	...	...	10	75	85	456	456	541	1,652	17
18	...	...	1	18	...	...	1	12	39,000	8,500	.....	.....	.....	47,500	38,055	4,159	3,390	7,549	115	20	18	81	238	472	648	648	1,120	8,669	18
19	1	11	1	60	1	30	2	24	40,000	12,000	6,000	.....	1,289	59,289	5,000	9,307	2,544	11,851	910	43	...	393	772	2,118	2,544	2,544	4,662	16,513	19
20	1	15	3	132	2	90	2	25	219,000	15,000	.....	500	5,927	240,427	11,706	21,448	7,303	28,751	60	186	632	1296	2870	5,046	7,164	7,164	12,210	40,961	20
21	...	...	1	25	...	...	1	24	41,000	11,500	.....	.....	1,500	54,000	35,571	5,998	6,852	12,850	50	5	15	110	260	440	924	926	1,366	14,216	21
22	1	27	1	16	...	...	1	18	75,000	11,500	.....	.....	.....	86,500	23,500	4,960	1,445	6,405	250	...	...	175	63	488	912	912	1,400	7,802	22
23	...	...	2	120	2	60	2	40	250,000	.....	.....	75,000	25,000	350,000	.....	19,215	7,442	26,657	629	220	10	400	863	2,152	3,408	3,408	5,560	32,217	23
24	1	19	3	64	...	...	2	29	46,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	46,000	.....	7,488	.....	7,488	15	25	...	100	298	438	1,200	1,200	1,638	9,126	24
25	...	...	2	33	1	18	2	24	18,500	12,500	.....	.....	1,400	32,400	.....	5,348	.....	5,348	220	...	...	...	292	512	852	852	1,364	6,712	25
26	...	...	2	35	...	...	1	9	6,000	3,500	.....	.....	500	10,000	.....	2,156	383	2,539	97	...	92	...	59	248	492	492	740	3,279	26
*27	1	12	1	16	2	46	...	...	.....	12,500	.....	.....	7,500	20,000	7,500	1,266	2,120	3,386	24	114	...	37	57	232	.....	236	468	9,170	27*
28	1	34	6	153	2	51	3	72	35,000	10,000	.....	.....	.....	45,000	1,400	9,077	165	9,242	403	18	...	273	65	279	1,656	1,662	2,421	11,663	28
29	1	27	1	68	2	75	1	21	50,000	12,500	.....	.....	.....	62,500	38,000	4,740	4,568	9,368	70	...	15	...	759	344	1,176	1,176	1,520	10,828	29
30	1	28	2	50	2	53	3	32	51,000	8,250	.....	.....	.....	59,250	41,658	8,056	2,671	10,727	352	25	...	50	639	1,066	1,776	1,776	2,842	13,569	30
31	1	40	6	82	...	...	1	12	67,000	14,000	.....	.....	1,267	87,273	29,868	9,450	5,064	14,514	657	78	105	39	859	1,738	1,834	1,886	3,624	18,138	31
32	1	12	1	15	...	...	1	17	17,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,500	9,500	3,049	1,797	4,846	...	19	356	...	34	409	540	540	949	5,795	32
1951	16	367	56	1522	24	649	41	649	1,166,506	234,717	42,300	170,662	228,030	1,922,815	414,525	202,607	78,322	280,929	8614	2521	2031	4188	15,119	31,973	44,364	44,643	76,616	357,545	1951
1950	16	411	50	1431	15	409	34	512	1,077,741	233,417	69,000	162,500	184,546	1,707,204	330,394	180,945	100,170	281,115	15759	1519	1831	6804	14,793	39,706	34,836	34,912	74,618	355,733	1950
Inc.	...	...	6	91	9	240	7	137	88,765	51,300	3,300	8,162	44,084	195,611	84,131	21,662	.....	.....	...	1002	200	...	1326	.....	9,528	9,731	1,998	1,812	Inc.
Dec.	...	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,848	186	7145	...	...	2661	.....	7,733	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec.

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33	Alhambra	Grace	1925	433 No. Atlantic Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Harold J. Lorimer	E	637	51		421	34		282	19		33
34	Alhambra	Our Savior's	1949	2015 Carlos Street	Los Angeles	2	Walter M. Stuhr	E	132	40		84	19		67	14		34
35	Altadena	Altadena	1944	185 West Foothill Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Titus Scholl	E	326	8		183		6	171	5		35
*36	Azuza	Calvary	1951	816 W. Fifth Street	Los Angeles	3	Howard A. Anspach	E	107	107		68	68		40	40		36*
*37	Baldwin Park	Ascension	1951	3921 Baldwin Park Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Gerald O. Pedersen	E	176	176		114	114		84	84		37*
38	Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	1930	100 N. Doheny Drive L.A.	Los Angeles	2	Guy L. Hudson	E	475	15		349	9		177	9		38
39	Burbank	Luther Memorial	1946	2401 N. Brighton Street	Los Angeles	2	L. A. Failing	E	400	74		259	42		160	20		39
40	Culver City	Grace	1945	4427 Overland Ave.	Los Angeles	3	Wm. Herbert Blough	E	334	19		225	15		190	15		40
41	El Monte	Redeemer	1947	11621 E. Bryant Road	Los Angeles	2	John B. Neild	E	178	24		102	12		54	4		41
42	Gardena	St. John's	1924	1204 W. 103rd Street	Los Angeles	3	Robert Wheatley	E	334	63		205	34		99	12		42
43	Glendale	First	1912	233 S. Kenwood St.	Los Angeles	1	Carl V. Tambert	E	1524		12	1170		33	1005		21	43
44	Globe, Ariz.	St. Paul's	1950	Maple & High, Globe Hi School	Gila	4	Jack W. Glidewell	E	76		2	43		11	32	5		44
45	Hollywood	Hollywood	1921	1733 No. New Hampshire Ave.	Los Angeles		R. Bertam Reed	E	1417	18		940			518		66	45
46	Huntington Park	St. Luke's		2721 E. Florence Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Charles P. Smith	E	745	8		541	2		367	2		46
47	Inglewood	Holy Trinity	1941	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Benner Weaver	E	886	76		562	51		444	19		47
48	La Canada	Foothills	1948	1700 Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	4	John P. Stump	E	355	96		212	54		157	35		48
49	Lakewood	Lakewood	1947	5633 E. Wardlow Road	Los Angeles	2	Louis F. Mertz	E	299	84		166	64		159	73		49
50	Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	1948	110 N. Ninth Street	Clark	2	William C. Arbough	E	53		115	38		59	34		38	50
51	Long Beach	Faith	1945	3040 Santa Fe Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Donald P. Mosling	E	230		5	140		8	75		30	51
52	Long Beach	Trinity	1907	759 Linden Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Orval A. Awerkamp	E	1146	5		840	32		539	12		52
53	Los Angeles	Advent	1886	1329 S. Alvarado St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Scherer	E	507	8		394	11		328		14	53
54	Los Angeles	Bethany	1926	7011 S. San Pedro St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Irving Kohler	E	259		103	183		50	50		50	54
55	Los Angeles	First English	1887	3119 West Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Albert B. Schwertz	E	1756	87		1361	61		900	40		55
56	Los Angeles	St. Mark's	1904	1122 W. 36th Place	Los Angeles	1	E. F. Valbracht	E	137		118	113		83	100		38	56
57	Los Angeles	Transfiguration	1947	8515 S. Rayford Dr.	Los Angeles	1	J. Emery Ackerman	E	353	78		201	40		138	25		57

(*) New Congregations (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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58	Manhattan Beach	Trinity	1949	Rowell Ave. & Tenth St.	Los Angeles	3	George L Ulrich	E	198	20	.....	130	17	.....	65	5	.....	58
59	Monterey Park	St. Paul's	1914	2009 S. Garfield Ave.	Los Angeles	3	Donald W. Endter	E	310	61	.....	179	25	.....	145	41	.....	59
60	Norco	Bethany	1950	5841 S. Garfield Ave.	Riverside	5	F. W. Heinecken	E	50	.....	4	31	.....	4	29	.....	4	60
61	North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	1931	11031 Camarillo Ave.	Los Angeles	1	John G. Simmons	E	893	25	.....	504	11	.....	367	.....	1	61
62	Pasadena	Trinity	1903	997 E. Walnut St. Zone 4	Los Angeles	1	H. Paul Romeis	E	829	16	.....	598	15	.....	430	5	.....	62
63	Phoenix, Ariz.	Faith	1945	801 East Camelback Road	Maricopa	1	Frank H. Clutz	E	807	145	.....	525	83	.....	501	89	.....	63
64	Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	1914	1124 North Third St.	Maricopa	1	H. C. Lindsay	E	1589	124	.....	983	84	.....	946	79	.....	64
65	Pomona	Trinity	1947	737 So. Hamilton Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Wm. Bowman	E	136	.....	16	106	19	.....	103	26	.....	65
66	Redlands	First	1901	East Olive at Myrtle	San Bernardino	3	John D. Forester	E	233	24	.....	161	9	.....	95	8	.....	66
67	Riverside	Trinity	1892	4144 9th St.	Riverside	2	F. W. Heinecken	E	572	21	.....	408	5	.....	220	10	.....	67
68	San Bernardino	First	1907	631 G. Street	San Bernardino	2	Arthur W. Alm	E	638	19	.....	349	.....	5	278	9	.....	68
69	San Diego	Christ	1947	4761 Cass St. Zone 9	San Diego	3	Quentin P. Garman	E	510	82	.....	303	51	.....	282	47	.....	69
70	San Diego	First	1888	1320 Second Ave.	San Diego	1	Erwin A. Vosseler	E	877	26	.....	658	17	.....	332	.....	.....	70
71	San Diego	St. Peter's	1946	1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.	San Diego	1	Vlad P. Benko	E	303	55	.....	191	38	.....	115	30	.....	71
72	San Fernando	St. Mark's	1951	2064 Fifth Ss.	Los Angeles	3	Marlin J. Fellner	E	258	21	.....	150	10	.....	111	1	.....	72
*73	Santa Ana	United	1949	2071 S. Broadway	Orange	2	Raymond L. Nickel	E	158	158	.....	101	101	.....	95	95	.....	73*
74	Santa Barbara	Grace	1904	1109 Anacapa St.	Santa Barbara	2	Walter M. Ruccius	E	274	9	.....	186	1	.....	146	3	.....	74
75	Santa Monica	St. Paul's	1926	958 Lincoln Blvd.	Los Angeles	3	Vacant	E	1001	.....	18	516	.....	25	309	.....	76	75
76	Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	1945	1909 E. Helen	Pima	1	George A. Spindt	E	677	82	.....	470	64	.....	339	39	.....	76
77	Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	1950	15520 Sherman Way	Los Angeles	1	C. H. Meyer	E	309	101	.....	186	58	.....	134	60	.....	77
78	Westwood	Village	1938	343 Sepulveda Blvd.	Los Angeles	3	A. J. Soldan	E	321	47	.....	205	21	.....	159	21	.....	78
79	Whittier	Salem	1946	6442 S. Glengarry Ave.	Los Angeles	2	David E. Robison	E	566	179	.....	357	98	.....	264	82	.....	79
	1951 Totals	Congregations 47	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 68	....	24351	2252	393	16210	1389	284	11655	1083	333	1951
	1950 Totals	Congregations 44	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 78	....	22479	2084	228	15099	1237	192	10910	869	126	1950
	Increase	3	....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	1872	168	165	1111	152	92	745	214	212	Inc.
	Decrease	.....	....	.....	.....	....	10	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec.

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	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismis'l 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Totl C	By Death 11	By Certificare 12	By Dismis'l 13	Total D
33	637	421	282	14	13	27	8	...	2	....	10	17	....	1	17	34	5	57	4	17	2	23
34	132	84	67	12	12	24	....	...	3	....	3	21	....	....	4	19	1	24	1	4	....	5
35	326	183	171	31	16	47	4	...	6	23	33	14	....	5	25	23	7	60	1	10	55	66
*36	107	68	40	16	23	39	....	...	....	....	....	39	....	9	15	18	31	73	1	1	3	5
*37	176	114	84	12	50	62	....	...	....	....	....	62	....	6	10	71	27	114	....	....	....	....
38	475	349	177	9	3	12	....	...	2	4	6	6	....	....	12	14	13	39	....	8	22	30
39	400	259	160	11	31	42	9	6	....	....	10	32	....	....	18	27	....	45	1	2	....	3
40	334	225	190	20	4	24	6	...	6	8	20	4	....	4	12	20	4	40	....	20	5	25
41	178	102	54	7	9	16	1	...	3	....	4	12	....	....	5	8	1	14	....	2	....	2
42	334	205	99	31	....	31	2	...	....	....	2	29	....	4	16	18	....	38	2	2	....	4
43	1524	1170	1005	48	20	68	7	...	18	22	47	21	....	8	51	33	19	111	4	68	72	144
44	76	43	32	16	2	18	....	1	....	8	9	9	....	2	8	1	....	11	....	3	19	22
45	1417	940	518	40	45	85	6	1	10	50	67	18	....	6	20	23	19	68	9	30	29	68
46	745	541	367	24	12	36	3	...	6	14	23	13	....	6	6	33	3	48	7	24	9	40
47	886	562	444	30	17	47	9	...	13	....	22	25	....	15	12	44	15	86	3	27	5	35
48	355	212	157	11	38	49	5	...	2	....	7	42	....	1	18	30	16	65	1	2	8	11
49	299	166	159	18	39	57	7	...	6	24	37	20	....	3	20	7	....	93	1	12	16	29
50	53	38	34	2	....	2	....	...	....	58	58	....	56	....	9	3	1	13	....	2	70	72
51	230	140	75	17	14	31	3	...	....	25	28	3	....	1	16	9	....	26	1	18	15	34
52	1146	840	539	25	13	38	18	...	24	23	65	....	27	6	23	59	18	106	10	45	19	74
53	507	394	328	17	13	30	9	...	17	7	33	....	3	6	10	37	20	73	8	32	22	62
54	259	183	50	11	2	13	5	...	10	51	66	....	53	6	5	7	1	19	1	19	49	69
55	1756	1360	900	46	6	52	4	...	....	22	26	26	....	11	88	66	....	165	12	58	34	104
56	137	113	100	7	....	7	....	...	4	38	42	....	35	....	8	....	....	7	2	13	75	60
57	253	201	138	28	15	43	....	...	1	4	5	38	....	5	14	30	8	57	....	8	9	17

EDUCATION	PARISH											HIGHER				
	Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church							
	Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutherna Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Institutions 31	Index Number
	1	21	147	14	37	....	....	....	....	....	57	....	....	1	7	33
	1	14	76	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	3	34
	1	20	298	....	30	....	....	....	....	....	50	....	....	1	5	35
	1	7	41	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	....	....	....	....	36*
	1	15	143	....	....	1	1	25	....	....	20	....	....	....	2	37*
	1	9	101	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	27	....	....	....	5	38
	1	17	200	10	38	1	2	24	....	....	18	....	....	....	....	39
	1	16	175	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	16	....	....	1	5	40
	1	12	86	....	13	....	....	....	....	....	8	....	....	....	1	41
	1	27	185	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	1	4	42
	1	43	451	5	88	....	....	....	....	....	118	2	....	3	31	43
	1	6	47	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	1	....	44
	1	40	220	1	72	1	1	25	1	20	111	....	....	....	15	45
	1	28	208	20	34	....	....	....	....	....	28	1	....	2	16	46
	1	34	366	....	175	....	....	....	....	....	77	....	....	1	9	47
	1	15	135	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	34	....	....	....	2	48
	1	17	275	1	32	....	....	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	3	49
	1	3	14	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	....	50
	1	12	140	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	36	....	....	....	....	51
	1	33	399	....	67	....	....	....	....	....	28	....	....	1	9	52
	1	28	123	....	43	....	....	....	....	....	76	....	....	1	6	53
	1	5	25	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	11	....	....	....	....	54
	1	20	115	....	44	1	5	80	....	....	99	3	....	1	14	55
	1	5	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	3	56
	1	14	210	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	35	....	....	....	4	57

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58	198	130	85	10	12	22	4	...	3	12	19	3	....	1	4	21	3	29	1	2	9	12	1	11	125	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	1	58
59	310	179	145	35	16	15	2	...	3	10	15	36	....	6	17	30	4	57	2	9	21	32	1	23	257	....	33	....	....	....	....	....	33	....	....	....	2	59
60	50	31	29	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	4	1	5	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	60
61	893	504	367	24	9	33	4	...	8	....	19	14	....	1	20	19	2	42	3	19	9	31	1	23	325	....	46	....	....	....	2	18	21	1	....	....	10	61
62	829	598	430	14	6	20	11	...	15	....	19	1	....	....	4	35	5	44	4	25	....	29	1	26	273	....	41	....	....	....	....	....	36	....	....	....	32	62
63	804	595	501	29	52	81	10	...	9	....	19	62	....	7	33	70	21	113	1	17	30	48	1	44	431	11	52	....	....	....	6	35	106	1	....	....	24	63
64	1589	983	946	58	28	86	22	2	22	....	46	40	....	13	67	75	3	158	6	68	....	74	1	57	575	70	116	....	....	....	....	....	80	2	....	....	40	64
65	136	106	103	5	15	20	....	....	....	55	55	....	35	....	6	20	5	31	....	1	11	12	1	8	76	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	1	65
66	233	161	95	8	7	15	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	5	12	3	20	1	2	8	11	1	7	60	3	7	....	....	....	....	....	8	....	....	....	1	66
67	572	408	220	9	15	24	5	....	....	3	8	16	....	2	30	18	15	65	5	10	45	60	1	25	152	....	30	....	....	....	....	....	51	....	....	....	6	67
68	638	349	278	18	14	32	5	1	2	....	8	24	....	4	9	28	3	44	3	2	44	49	1	19	120	8	16	....	....	....	4	30	29	1	....	2	7	68
69	510	303	282	36	24	60	7	...	14	8	29	31	....	8	29	37	....	74	....	17	6	23	1	34	483	....	40	1	3	10	....	....	37	....	....	....	2	69
70	877	658	332	23	11	34	1	...	14	10	25	9	....	4	9	36	13	62	2	23	20	45	1	21	135	10	30	....	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	1	4	70
71	303	191	115	23	20	43	6	...	6	14	26	17	....	6	32	13	....	51	2	6	5	13	1	16	146	....	21	....	....	....	....	....	38	....	....	....	....	71
72	258	150	111	11	4	15	1	...	3	....	4	11	....	....	5	8	1	14	1	3	....	4	1	14	....	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	2	72
*73	158	101	95	17	42	59	....	....	2	....	2	57	....	6	16	70	11	103	....	2	....	2	1	13	86	....	16	....	....	....	12	26	22	....	....	....	3	73*
74	274	186	146	17	1	18	3	...	5	2	10	8	....	1	3	11	4	19	2	8	8	18	1	10	68	....	27	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	1	1	74
75	1001	516	309	32	6	38	9	...	22	....	31	7	....	2	10	19	2	33	3	47	8	58	1	23	214	....	90	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	8	75
76	677	470	339	22	8	30	12	...	....	....	12	18	....	2	25	29	17	73	....	9	....	9	1	23	296	7	25	....	....	....	....	....	34	2	....	1	15	76
77	309	186	134	11	32	43	....	....	....	....	....	43	....	1	34	25	2	62	....	4	....	4	1	16	125	....	28	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	....	....	3	77
78	321	205	159	37	15	52	19	...	....	7	26	26	....	....	19	12	28	59	2	8	38	38	1	21	175	....	40	....	....	....	4	25	12	....	....	....	....	78
79	566	357	264	61	40	101	11	...	9	....	20	81	....	1	36	68	....	105	....	7	....	7	1	32	353	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	53	....	....	....	5	79
1951	24351	16210	11655	1003	774	1777	238	6	270	502	1016	970	209	170	855	1353	350	2728	107	720	790	1617	47	932	8715	175	1484	5	11	164	29	157	1617	13	....	19	311	1951
1950	22479	15099	10910	935	721	1656	164	3	223	435	825	953	122	170	803	1189	392	2554	138	690	701	1529	45	843	8073	244	1466	3	7	131	22	164	1479	12	1	34	306	1950
Inc.	1872	1111	745	68	53	121	74	8	47	67	191	17	87	....	52	164	....	174	....	30	89	88	2	89	642	....	18	2	4	33	7	....	138	1	....	....	5	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	42	....	31	....	....	....	....	....	....	69	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	....	1	5	....	Dec.

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	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y.People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			COMGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE										
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTION'D				
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
33	1	40	2	73	2	48	1	44	50,000	20,000	60,000	...	...	130,000	31,482	12,543	2,579	15,122	222	110	92	399	194	1017	2388	2388	3405	18527	33
34	1	15	1	35	...	...	...	...	5,500	...	...	...	300	5,800	11,000	2,482	4,487	6,969	150	10	15	163	233	571	480	492	1063	8032	34
35	1	25	1	30	...	...	1	20	50,600	12,500	...	...	...	62,500	25,797	6,230	5,888	12,118	358	...	...	87	717	1162	1512	1512	2674	14792	35
*36	...	...	1	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,286	3,286	...	1,714	150	1,864	...	...	...	...	41	41	...	144	185	2049	36*
*37	...	...	1	30	1	40	1	13	35,000	...	...	...	14,000	49,000	49,000	3,304	780	4,084	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	210	210	4294	37*
38	...	...	1	30	1	14	1	18	104,000	...	...	...	...	104,000	16,000	7,411	1,420	8,831	287	445	169	24	...	925	1524	1524	2449	11280	38
39	1	25	2	47	2	48	1	18	38,700	13,500	...	...	4,500	56,700	25,564	4,990	2,809	7,799	300	25	...	...	...	335	1272	1272	1607	9406	39
40	1	20	2	40	1	20	2	35	30,000	18,000	...	...	...	48,000	19,000	9,500	7,163	16,663	...	115	...	10	266	471	1596	1620	2091	18754	40
41	1	12	1	13	...	...	1	12	2,500	9,500	...	...	4,000	16,000	10,240	2,514	571	3,085	8	35	10	90	71	197	456	456	653	3738	41
42	1	30	2	45	...	...	1	18	15,000	...	10,000	...	...	25,000	836	6,122	200	6,322	76	...	50	73	155	281	792	826	1107	7429	42
43	1	70	1	212	3	114	3	74	30,000	11,800	10,080	...	94,000	145,880	5,100	37,082	71,902	98,984	8357	1775	655	...	7984	19596	9336	9736	29332	128316	43
44	...	...	1	15	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	6,000	6,000	4,000	2,021	1,090	3,111	6	...	...	825	...	6	252	252	158	3369	44
45	1	25	3	110	3	105	2	40	65,000	25,000	10,500	...	30,000	130,500	12,151	15,244	4,299	19,543	551	678	44	...	296	2180	5316	3883	6063	25606	45
46	1	25	1	65	1	30	1	24	103,289	...	...	...	1,057	104,346	24,381	11,138	3,255	14,829	916	371	...	611	...	1543	3324	3324	4867	19696	46
47	1	37	1	72	3	130	3	51	145,554	20,406	...	...	...	165,960	54,977	17,667	20,234	37,901	985	...	...	256	638	1623	3864	3864	5487	43388	47
48	1	30	1	45	1	50	...	...	39,000	12,300	...	...	...	51,300	39,601	9,249	8,195	17,444	58	...	...	...	138	166	1116	1116	1312	18756	48
49	1	20	1	35	1	35	1	6	35,000	12,000	...	...	...	47,000	33,200	5,491	6,493	11,934	149	100	75	...	243	640	780	780	1429	13404	49
50	...	...	1	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,371	6,800	9,171	5,000	1,832	1,858	3,690	20	...	...	73	36	56	660	660	716	4406	50
51	1	14	1	25	...	...	1	10	13,000	9,000	...	...	...	22,000	10,689	4,297	325	4,622	10	21	109	...	...	140	960	960	1000	5722	51
52	...	...	1	144	...	...	1	27	250,000	...	...	...	22,000	272,000	...	17,489	10,727	28,216	447	1245	882	...	1581	5049	4800	4800	9849	38065	52
53	1	21	3	71	4	133	1	11	50,000	15,000	...	...	455	65,455	400	15,133	8,036	23,169	690	422	235	894	1944	3640	3108	3108	6748	29917	53
54	...	...	1	15	...	...	...	...	50,000	...	...	...	...	50,000	...	2,869	388	3,257	...	...	...	349	250	250	912	500	750	4007	54
55	1	40	3	125	1	26	3	60	100,000	38,000	5,000	...	40,000	183,000	20,000	53,117	848	53,965	445	1591	950	...	5376	12488	7824	8100	20588	74553	55
56	1	10	3	40	...	...	...	...	27,000	14,000	...	...	...	41,000	12,480	6,097	...	6,097	181	276	...	4126	184	641	1260	1048	1689	7786	56
57	1	12	1	35	...	...	1	20	18,500	10,500	2,500	...	3,100	34,600	22,057	6,762	5,543	12,305	...	...	...	...	193	193	924	924	1117	13422	57

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y.People Number	Y.People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
58	1	15	2	30	...	...	1	13	35,000	11,500	...	...	7,600	54,100	30,000	3,436	4,200	7,636	...	...	...	...	145	145	732	732	877	8,513	58
59	...	...	2	36	2	40	1	15	65,000	12,500	...	...	...	77,500	27,901	4,804	5,831	10,635	317	209	35	74	197	832	948	960	1792	12,427	59
60	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,226	...	1,226	...	...	3	...	...	3	300	300	303	1,529	60
61	1	20	2	50	...	...	3	70	35,500	15,750	...	...	...	51,250	5,000	13,451	11,820	25,271	1261	120	...	25	552	1958	3348	3348	5306	30,577	61
62	1	40	2	150	3	120	2	50	80,000	20,000	2,500	...	21,300	123,000	...	15,871	1,373	17,244	172	677	227	654	1117	2847	3864	3864	6711	23,955	62
63	1	60	1	65	...	...	2	105	60,000	11,000	20,000	...	7,500	98,500	16,000	12,981	15,632	38,613	949	510	160	323	631	2573	3744	3744	6317	34,930	63
64	1	75	1	150	1	100	1	100	175,000	28,000	...	4,476	10,000	117,476	6,039	24,173	5,344	29,507	895	640	...	1768	2756	6059	7896	7896	13955	43,462	64
65	...	...	1	22	1	18	...	...	10,500	10,500	...	...	6,000	26,000	5,100	3,197	4,990	7,997	5	5	3	...	143	156	696	711	867	8,864	65
66	1	27	2	32	...	...	1	12	15,000	13,000	...	...	...	28,000	2,200	4,786	930	5,716	153	22	20	...	418	613	792	792	1405	7,121	66
67	1	70	3	100	2	80	2	50	20,000	5,000	5,000	...	21,500	51,500	2,005	12,120	7,500	19,620	...	...	...	...	552	552	1908	1944	2546	22,166	67
68	2	28	2	75	1	40	2	35	20,000	9,500	...	...	25,000	54,500	2,791	7,738	233	7,971	362	...	194	500	676	1722	2448	2488	4180	12,151	68
69	1	40	2	65	1	30	4	115	50,000	11,000	35,000	...	11,000	107,000	45,652	9,864	13,028	22,892	...	125	20	245	625	1015	2136	2160	3175	26,067	69
70	1	28	3	90	1	30	1	25	75,000	19,000	65,900	...	...	159,000	39,000	18,579	15,703	34,282	1129	469	...	318	336	2252	3024	3024	5276	39,558	70
71	1	24	1	28	1	20	1	20	22,900	8,425	...	...	...	31,325	16,089	5,913	3,200	9,113	220	180	12	...	120	532	780	780	1312	10,425	71
72	1	18	1	28	...	...	1	10	...	6,000	...	...	7,000	13,000	11,265	3,265	...	3,265	21	...	...	...	20	41	996	996	1037	4,302	72
*73	1	14	2	33	1	20	1	14	...	...	...	...	1,150	1,150	...	1,579	1,977	3,556	...	70	...	15	13	98	...	250	348	3,904	73*
74	1	20	2	47	...	...	1	14	35,000	5,000	...	...	...	40,000	500	6,439	1,208	7,637	955	47	...	119	760	1881	1296	1375	3256	10,903	74
75	1	10	2	105	2	50	3	70	135,000	...	40,000	...	...	175,000	21,500	11,395	2,608	14,003	1564	15	27	114	1101	2821	3504	2842	5663	19,666	75
76	1	35	2	75	...	...	2	50	65,536	9,500	...	...	2,816	77,852	31,750	6,977	5,414	12,391	590	35	160	8	809	1602	2736	2736	4338	16,729	76
77	1	12	1	30	1	18	2	29	...	...	...	...	15,000	15,000	12,000	4,251	6,907	11,158	10	20	20	40	181	271	684	811	1082	12,240	77
78	...	...	1	40	1	50	1	25	75,000	...	...	...	...	75,000	...	11,033	4,425	15,458	260	...	...	...	230	490	1260	184	674	16,132	78
79	1	20	1	44	1	48	3	56	38,000	13,000	...	...	3,819	54,819	22,100	6,242	5,733	11,675	367	41	10	25	575	1018	1655	1674	2672	14,687	79
1951	37	1029	74	2692	43	1547	62	1393	2,268,979	449,681	265,580	6,847	369,183	3,360,270	729,997	441,618	287,532	729,150	23446	10404	4177	12208	32,497	82,732	99,204	97,352	180,054	909,234	1951
1950	37	1039	65	2539	45	1514	62	1175	2,061,453	419,431	140,080	19,566	282,244	2,922,774	698,068	377,465	222,980	600,445	41886	9463	8976	10214	31,205	101,744	81,336	81,156	182,900	783,345	1950
Inc.		...	9	153	...	...		218	207,526	30,250	125,500	...	86,939	437,496	31,929	64,153	64,552	128,705	...	941	...	1994	1,292	...		17,868	16,196	...	125,889	Inc.
Dec.	...	10	...	...	2	67	...	...	...	...	...	12,719	...	...	...	...	...	...	18140	...	4799	...	...	1,912	...	...	2,846	...	Dec.

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION					COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1951	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members 14	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members 15	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members 16	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
				Geographical Loc. of Church Bldg.					Total		Pastors											
				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)														
	North. Conference	Congregations, 32		17	10	..	5	..	32		43		11,831	1,215	162	7,751	719	134	5,305	584	153	
	South. Conference	Congregations, 47		19	18	7	2	1	47		68		24,351	2,252	393	16,210	1,389	284	11,655	1083	338	
	1951 Totals.....	Congregations, 79		36	28	7	7	1	79		111		36,182	3,467	555	23,961	2,108	418	16,960	1,667	491	1951
	1950 Totals.....	Congregations, 72		35	25	5	5	2	72		113		33,257	3,291	376	22,265	1,998	290	15,783	1,436	172	1950
	Increase.....	Congregations, 7.		1	3	2	2	.....	6		.....		2,923	176	179	1,696	110	128	1,177	231	319	Inc.
	Decrease	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....		2		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec.

SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES, TABLE 1—Continued

Index Number	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS									EDUCATION																Index Number
				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss		Accessions					Losses				PARISH													HIGHER				
																							Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church								
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissl 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissl 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Number 22	Teachrs 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	
No.	11,831	7,751	5,305	570	486	1056	122	9	133	324	588	583	115	120	435	563	282	1400	69	256	490	815	35	447	4298	28	825	1	5	80	19	64	913	8	....	10	171	No.
So.	24,351	16,210	11655	1003	774	1777	238	6	270	502	1016	970	209	170	855	1352	350	2728	107	718	790	1617	47	932	8715	175	1484	5	11	164	29	154	1617	13	....	19	311	So.
1951	36,182	23,961	16960	1573	1260	2833	360	15	403	826	1604	1533	324	290	1290	1916	632	4128	176	974	1280	2432	82	1379	13013	203	2309	6	16	224	48	218	2530	21	....	29	482	1951
1950	33,257	22,265	15783	1452	1058	2510	253	6	315	709	1283	1414	187	304	1223	1740	661	3928	211	971	1058	2240	75	1251	11925	277	2203	4	11	161	40	215	2274	17	1	38	498	1950
Inc.	2,925	1,696	1177	121	202	322	....	9	88	117	321	139	137	....	67	176	....	200	....	3	222	192	7	128	1088	....	106	2	5	63	8	3	256	4	....	....	....	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	....	....	107	....	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	....	29	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	74	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	9	16	Dec.

SUMMARY, TABLE 1—Continued

Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																				Index Number
	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y. People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE										
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED				
	Number 32	Members 33	Number 34	Members 35	Number 36	Members 37	Number 38	Members 39	Church Building 40	Parsonage 41	School and/or Parish House 42	Endowment 43	Other Property 44	Total Valuation 45	Indebtedness 46	Current 47	Unusual 48	Total 49	Education 50	Foreign Missions 51	American Missions 52	Social Missions 53	Other Benevolence 54	Total 55	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid 56	Total Benevolence 57	Total Expenditures 58	
No.	16	367	56	1522	24	649	41	649	1,166,506	284,717	72,300	170,662	228,630	1,922,815	414,525	202,607	78,322	280,929	8614	2521	2031	4188	14,619	31,973	44,364	44,643	76,616	357,545	No.
So.	37	1029	74	2692	42	1455	62	1293	2,268,979	449,681	265,580	6,847	369,183	3,360,270	729,997	414,618	287,532	729,150	23446	10404	4177	12208	31,497	82,732	99,204	97,120	180,054	909,062	So.
1951	53	1396	130	4214	67	2108	103	2042	3,435,485	734,398	337,880	177,509	597,813	5,283,085	1144522	644,225	365,854	1,010,079	32060	12925	6208	16396	47,116	114,705	143,568	141,995	256,672	1266,779	1951
1950	53	1450	115	3970	60	1923	96	1687	3,139,194	652,848	209,080	182,066	466,790	4,649,978	1028463	558,410	323,150	881,560	57645	10982	10807	7018	44,998	141,450	116,172	116,068	257,518	1139,078	1950
Inc.	....	....	15	244	7	185	7	365	296,291	81,550	128,800	....	131,023	533,107	116,059	85,815	....	....	....	1943	....	....	2118	....	27,396	25,927	....	127,701	Inc.
Dec.	....	54	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4,557	....	....	....	....	42,704	128,519	25585	....	4599	622	....	26,745	....	....	848	....	Dec.

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Patron & Protege—Mrs. John Holmes, 914 El Portal Park, San Pablo, Calif.
Synodical Missions—Mrs. Harry Sime, 2110 E. Chevy Chase Dr., Glendale, Calif.
Thank Offering—Mrs. C. E. Engelhard, 1306½ Talmadge St., Los Angeles 27, Calif.

III. PROMOTION DIVISION

Deaconess—Mrs. J. P. Sandretto, 1109 Shasta St., Vallejo, Calif.
Promotion—Miss Helene Hjort, 1803 Thomas Ave., Fresno 1, Calif.
Student Secretary—Mrs. Charles A. Miley, 2720 58th St., Sacramento 17, Calif.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEES

Standard of Excellence—Mrs. Robert Inslee, 1448 E. Garfield Ave., Glendale, Calif.
Constitution—Mrs. P. J. Kramer, 5915 Chabolyn Terrace, Oakland, Calif.
California Lutheran Home—Mrs. A. G. Dentman, 1637 Highland, Glendale 2, Calif.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE

President.....Mrs. G. O. Balsley, 1309 Tuolumne St., Vallejo, Calif.
Vice President.....Mrs. W. T. Dimmitt, 424 Auzerais Ave., San Jose, Calif.
Secretary.....Mrs. Ross Hidy, 3045 Hillegas Ave., Berkeley, Calif.
Treasurer.....Mrs. Carl Moyer, 1331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond, Calif.
Archivist.....Mrs. C. H. Jackson, 720 13th St., Sacramento, Calif.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

President.....Mrs. Orville Lyon, 2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
First Vice President.....Miss Jeanette Larsen, 233 S. Kenwood, Glendale, Calif.
Second Vice President....Mrs. Eugene Hoeftman, 4236 Keystone Ave., Culver City, Calif.
Secretary.....Mrs. Wayne Pfundstein, 4917 Matilija Ave., Sherman Oaks, Calif.
Treasurer.....Mrs. Frances Woodworth, 739 New York St., Long Beach, Calif.
Historian.....Mrs. R. E. Gerke, 8939 Noble Ave., Sepulveda, Calif.

1952 DIRECTORY WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

* Indicates a society organized since the first of January, 1952.

** Societies in the act of organizing but still not reported as societies.

Number in parenthesis ( ) indicates No. of Circles.

Berkeley, St. Michaels (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. G. J. Grieve, 593 The Alameda, Berkeley 7, Calif.
(1) Women of the Church, Scheehl Kramer Group, Mrs. M. R. Peter, 5927 Chabolyn Terrace, Oakland 18, Calif.

Central Valley (formerly listed as Project City) St. James (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Rose Quehne, Central Valley, Calif.

Fresno, Faith Lutheran (No Society to date).
First Lutheran (1) Friendship Circle, Mrs. Mae Blecker, 4003 Kerckhoff, Fresno 2, Calif.
(1) Chi Rho Circle, Miss Helene Hjort, 1803 Thomas Ave., Fresno 1, Calif.
St. Paul's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. A. S. Claus, 2112 Lotus Ave., Fresno, Calif.
Wartburg Lutheran (No W.M.S., only a Ladies' Aid).

Harbor Gate, Ev. Lutheran Church of Harbor Gate. (Will organize in February.)
Care of Mrs. Meta L. Hathaway, care of Grace Lutheran Church, 13th & Bartlett, Richmond, Calif.

Honolulu, Honolulu Lutheran (1) Lutheran Ladies' Guild, Send mail to Mrs. E. Edward Hamme, 448 So. Beretania St., Honolulu, Hawaii.
Lihue, Lutheran Church of Lihue. (No society to date).
Contact Thomas Allport, Lihue Kauai, T. H.

Oakland, First Lutheran (4) Women of the Church, Mrs. Herbert Rohrbach, 1072 Park Lane, Piedmont, Calif.
St. John's Lutheran (1) Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. J. S. Kissinger, 2117 Seminary Ave., Oakland, Calif.

Pearl Harbor, Lutheran Church of Pearl Harbor. (No society to date.)

Redding, United Lutheran Church (Organized Feb. 1, 1951) (1) Friendship Circle, Mrs. C. E. Leer, 2345 Eureka Way, Redding, Calif.

Redwood City, Messiah Lutheran (Organized Aug., 1951) (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Carl Ludvigsen, 661 Emerson Ave., Los Altos, Calif.

Reno, Good Shepherd Lutheran (1) Shepherdess Circle.

Richmond, Grace Lutheran (5) Women of the Church) Mrs. W. J. McLoed, 5432 Barrett Ave., Richmond 9, Calif.
St. James Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Carl Moyer, 1331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond 6, Calif.

Sacramento, First Lutheran (5) Women of the Church, Mrs. E. D. Olson, 4039 E. Michols Ave., Sacramento 30, Calif.
St. John's Lutheran (1) Mary E. Oehler Miss. Soc., Mrs. C. H. Jackson, 720 13th St., Apt. 6, Sacramento 14, Calif.
(1) Dorcas Society, Mrs. Marian Miller, 710 25th St., Sacramento, Calif.
St. Paul's Lutheran (1) Missionary Guild, Mrs. Alben Nelson, 2755 63rd St., Sacramento 17, Calif.

San Francisco, First United Lutheran (1) Women's Guild, Mrs. Clarence Schneider, 154 Merced Ave., San Francisco 16, Calif.

St. Mark's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Miss Audrey Thompson, 2029 Vallejo, San Francisco, Calif.

St. Matthew's (1) Women's Missionary Society, Miss Helen Selmoser, 565 Jersey St., San Francisco 14, Calif.

Temple Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Dorcas Circle, Mrs. Margaret Smith, 1622 Quesada, San Francisco 24, Calif.

Temple Lutheran (1) Gamma Chi Circle (Evening), Mrs. Wilhelmina Farmer, 1523 Quesada, San Francisco, Calif.

Sanger, St. Paul's (Organized Jan. 9, 1952, will be reported with 1951 Societies). (1) Mrs. Chester Ziebarth, Pine Flat Dam, Corps of Engineer, Fresno, Calif.

San Jose, Bethany Lutheran (Organized 1951) (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. F. P. Reiter, 2106 Sunny Vista Drive, San Jose 26, Calif.
Grace Lutheran (1) Missionary Women of the Church, Mrs. Hope Granander, 384 Auzerais, San Jose, Calif.

San Leandro, Epiphany Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Carol Calhoun, 1606 143rd Ave., San Leandro, Calif.

San Mateo, St. Andrews (1) Women of St. Andrews, Mrs. Geo Brown, 1909 Arbor Ave., Belmont, Calif.

Sutter Creek, Mt. Olive Lutheran (No society reported yet).

Vallejo, St. Paul's Lutheran (5) St. Paul's Guild, Mrs. Anton Lind, 221 Delmar Ave., Vallejo, Calif.

Yreka, Mt. Zion Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Marie Goff, 815 S. Main St., Yreka, Calif.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE PRESIDENTS

Alhambra, Grace Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. L. H. Van Dusen, 844 N. Curtis, Alhambra, Calif.
(1) Christian Life Circle, Mrs. Wm. McMahon, 1009 Benito, Alhambra, Calif.
California Lutheran Home (1) Louisa Miller Miss. Society, Mrs. Orville Lyon, 2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Our Saviour's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Martin Stuhr, 1900 S. 7th St., Alhambra, Calif.

Altadena, Altadena Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Helen Brammer, 2054 North Madison, Altadena, Calif.

Azusa, Calvary Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Harry Sands, 1042 W. Fifth St., Azusa, Calif.

Baldwin Park, Ascension Lutheran (1) Organized, Mrs. Louise Mittletad, 2505 Cedarwood, Baldwin Park, Calif.

Beverly Hills (See L. A.)

Burbank, Luther Memorial (1) Dorcas Society, Mrs. Mary Markovich, 911 E. Providencia Burbank, Calif.

Culver City, Grace Lutheran (1) Ladies of Grace, Mrs. William Priebe, 5640 Spokane St., Los Angeles 16, Calif.

El Monte, Redeemer Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Roy Almquist, 2715 La Rosa Drive, Temple City, Calif.

Gardena, St. John's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Day Gr., Mrs. Carl Christensen, 13712 S. Vermont, Gardena, Calif.
(1) Women of the Church, Evening Gr., Mrs. Albert Pitt, 1227 W. 159th St., Gardena, Calif.

Glendale, First Lutheran (9) Women of the Church, Mrs. Wm. Pfeifer, 1618 Allen Ave., Glendale 1, Calif.

Globe, St. Paul's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. G. R. Blair, Sec., Box 1072, Miami, Ariz.

Hollywood, Hollywood Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. C. E. Englehard, 1306½ Talmadge, Los Angeles 27, Calif.
(1) Florence Welty Miss. Society, Miss Louise Luckan, 250 S. Wilton Place, Los Angeles 4, Calif.

Huntington Park, St. Luke's (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Eleanor Gibson, 10740 San Miguel, Lynwood, Calif.

Inglewood, Holy Trinity (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Ellen Crandall, 2731 W. 94th St., Inglewood, Calif.

La Canada, Lutheran Church of Foothills (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Robert Orr, 4841 Crown Box 91, La Canada, Calif.

Las Vegas, Reformation Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Oria Dominy, 1417 S. Main St., Las Vegas, Nev.

Long Beach, Faith Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Julia Sexauer, 3533 Easy Ave., Long Beach 10, Calif.
Lakewood Ev. Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Taylor Holmquist, 5848 Gossamer, Long Beach 8, Calif.
Naples Mission (not organized to date).
Trinity Lutheran (6) Women of the Church, Mrs. Elfreda Screws, 2839 Fashion Ave., Long Beach 16, Calif.

Los Angeles, Advent Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Henry Vojta, 3770 S. Catalina St., Los Angeles 7, Calif.
(1) Dorcas Society, Miss Maude Doerr, 1343 W. 20th St., Los Angeles 7, Calif.
(1) Iota Eta Sigma, Miss Neva Calkins, 1606¼ Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 17, Cal.
Bethany Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Justin Malone, 5638 Carlton Way, Hollywood 28, Calif.
Beverly Hills Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Emily Wisemann, 631 No. Lucerne, Los Angeles 46, Calif.
First English Lutheran (5) Women of the Church, Day Gr., Mrs. Edmond Favre, 1900 Rosalia Road, Los Angeles 27, Calif.
(1) Women of the Church, Evening, Miss Palma Sevison, c/o 68 Shatto Place, Los Angeles 5, Calif.
St. Mark's Lutheran (1) Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. M. Volkert, 4012 Woodlawn Ave., Los Angeles 11, Calif.
(1) Loving Hearts Missionary Society, Mrs. Robert Mohnsen, 1138 W. 83rd St., Los Angeles, Calif.
Transfiguration (1) Dorcas Society, Mrs. H. A. Cooksey, 6327 W. 83rd St., Los Angeles 45, Calif.

Manhattan Beach, Trinity Lutheran (organized April 4, 1951) (1) Women's Missionary Society of Trinity, Mrs. G. L. Ulrich, 742 27th St., Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Monterey Park, St. Paul's Lutheran (1) St. Paul's Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. Edgar Gardner, 1117 Amalia St., Los Angeles 22, Calif.
St. Paul's Lutheran (1) Yowomis, Mrs. Shirlee Miller, 4102 N. Ivar St., Rosemead.

Norco, Bethany Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. William Reeb, 570 California Ave., Norco, Calif.

North Hollywood, St. Matthew's (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Elmida Kohnen, 4233 Bakman Ave., North Hollywood, Calif.
(1) Faith Missionary Society, Mrs. Erma L. Moldenhauer, 10672 Oxnard St., North Hollywood, Calif.

Pasadena, Trinity Lutheran (2) Women of the Church, Mrs. Roy S. Peterson, 244 S. Catalina Ave., Pasadena 5, Calif.
Trinity Lutheran (Women of the Church) Evening Chairman.

Phoenix, Faith Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. H. A. Peterson, 4745 N. 32nd St., Phoenix, Ariz.
Grace Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Roger C. Thomas, 135 E. Missouri, Phoenix, Ariz.

Pomona, Trinity Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. W. J. Bohm, 1873 4th St., LaVerne, Calif.

Redlands, First Lutheran (1) First Lutheran Women's Guild, Mrs. Goldus Paulson, 1021 Campus, Redlands, Calif.
First Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Vernon Maxfield, Rt. 2, Box 450, San Bernardino, Calif.

Riverside, Trinity Lutheran (1) Women's Missionary Guild, Mrs. U. A. Steffensen, 6017 Brockton Ave., Riverside, Calif.
(1) Nona M. Diehl Society, Mrs. Mildred Knight, 4795 Arlington Ave., Riverside.

San Bernardino, First Lutheran (2) Women of the Church, Mrs. Lee Alwardt, 387 29th St., San Bernardino, Calif.
Young Women of the Church (disbanded for 1952).

San Diego, First Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Day Gr., Mrs. Anna Witte, 4548 32nd St., San Diego 2, Calif.
(1) Women of the Church, Evening Gr., Mrs. Eva Brigman, 220 20th St., San Diego 2, Calif.
(1) Junior Women of the Church, Vivian Dillahunt, 4030 Hamilton, San Diego, Cal.

St. Peter's by the Sea (Ocean Beach) (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Betty Stough, 4285 Cape May, San Diego 7, Calif.

Christ Lutheran (Pacific Beach) (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Verna Charlse, 2337 Deerpark Drive, San Diego, Calif.

Santa Ana, United Lutheran Church (1) Dorcas Missionary Society, Mar. 2, 1951, Mrs. Fred Wahl, 1330 S. Broadway, Santa Ana.
(1) Isabel Missionary Society, Miss Ida Bergsetter, 320 So. Garnsey, Santa Ana.

Santa Barbara, Grace Lutheran (1) Grace Women of the Church, Mrs. Philip Augerson, 1719 Olive St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

San Fernando, St. Mark's (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Charlotte Fellner, 2064 5th St., San Fernando, Calif.

Santa Monica, St. Paul's (1) Women's Guild and Missionary Society, Mrs. Roosevelt Glenn, 1201 Georgina Ave., Santa Monica, Calif.

Tucson, Our Saviour's Lutheran (1) Women of the Church, Mr .sArthur Kruegel, 2817 E. Alta Vista, Tucson, Ariz.

Van Nuys, St. Andrew's (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Carl Gottschalk, 17143 Enadia Way, Van Nuys, Calif.

Westwood, Village Lutheran (1) Women's Guild, Mrs. George Ordway, 10729 Rochester Ave., Los Angeles 24, Calif.

Whittier, Salem Lutheran (3) Women of the Church, Mrs. J. B. Froblom, 2213 Loch Lomond Drive, Whittier, Calif.

MINUTES OF THE

SIXTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

of California

Convention Theme: "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth"

Los Angeles, California
May 5-8, 1952

The sixtieth annual convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of California was preceded by the service of Holy Communion, on the evening of May 5th, at the First English Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, California. Homilist, The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President of Synod officiated along with: Liturgists, The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D. and The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert; Celebrants, The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, The Rev. Ross F. Hidy, The Rev. Henry Scherer, The Rev. H. Paul Romeis.

FIRST SESSION

Hollywood Lutheran Church
1733 N. New Hampshire Ave.
May 6, 1952, 9:00 a.m.

The first session of the convention was formally opened by the president, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz. Devotions were led by Sister Mary Jane Jessen, using the convention theme, "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth."

The first report of the convention was given by the credential committee was given:

Voting strength of synodical society	348
Officers and department secretaries	15
Pastors' wives	28
Delegates	104
Presidents of societies	42
	189
Visitors	83
Total	272

The program chairman, Mrs. Clarence Crouser, presented the program and moved that the printed program become the agenda for the convention.

The following convention committees were announced:

Officers Reports—Mrs. Arthur Kugel, Mrs. L. A. Failing and Mrs. T. Markovich.

Recommendations—Mrs. Charles Miley, Mrs. Henry Shinkard, Mrs. L. Rodgers, Mrs. Robert T. Orr, and Mrs. Phillip Augerson.

Department Secretaries—Mrs. P. J. Kramer, Mrs. Emily Wizeman, Mrs. S. M. Seabury, Mrs. Walter Stuhr.

Resolutions—Mrs. William Pfeifer, Mrs. H. T. Gibson, Mrs. H. F. Rohrbach.

Claims—Mrs. Ellen Crandall, Mrs. Charles Clark, and Mrs. Mary Ann Glidewell.

Nominating—Mrs. Hazel Shoreen, Mrs. J. P. Beasom, Mrs. K. Rasmussen, Mrs. Julia Sexauer, and Mrs. G. J. Grieve.

Registration—Miss Helene Hjort, Mrs. Hazel Favre, Mrs. Walter Butt.

Time Keepers—Mrs. Elfreda Screws and Mrs. Frablom.

Organist—Mrs. Pride.

Reporter to Lutheran Women's Work—Mrs. Q. P. Garmon.

Banquet Tickets—Mrs. Ray E. Peterson.

The convention was given a gracious welcome by Mrs. C. E. Engelhard of Hollywood. Mrs. Glenn O. Balsley responded in behalf of the convention.

The convention was given added impetus by the presence of our national president of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. Charles W. Baker, Jr., who addressed the convention at this session.

Report of officers 1951-1952:

Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz presented the annual president's report. Mrs. Clarence Crouser, vice president taking the chair moved that the report be placed in the hands of the committee on officers reports.

The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. E. Russell, and was accepted with the approval of the auditors.

The vice president's, recording secretary's, statistician's, and Historian's reports were given by Mrs. Clarence Crouser, Mrs. Maynard Shoreen, Miss Helene Hjort, and Mrs. William North, respectively.

Reception of new societies were presented by Mrs. James P. Beasom, promo- Society; San Jose, Bethany Women of the Church; Redwood City, Women of the Beach, Women's Missionary Society; Santa Ana, Dorcas Society; Santa Ana, Isabel tional secretary and the following were officially received into the synodical society: Baldwin Park, Women of the Church; Azusa, Women of the Church; Manhattan Church; Redding, Women of the Church; Sanger, Women of the Church; Fresno, Faith Women of the Church; Lihue, Hawaii Women of the Church; Leis from our Church in Hawaii were presented to Mrs. Schwertz, and Mrs. Baker. Greetings were also received and read from the Ladies' Guild in Honolulu.

A lovely solo was rendered by Mrs. Mollie Schlan.

The Rev. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, president elect of the Pacific Theological Seminary, was presented and addressed the convention.

Recommendations were presented by our president and referred to the committee.

Mrs. P. J. Kramer, presented the cause of the seminary, and an offering of $158.50 for books for the seminary was received and consecrated by Dr. B. Foelsch.

Closing collect.

The special afternoon session was an all Lutheran women meeting held at the First Methodist Church, Los Angeles. At this time Dr. Paul Empie addressed the convention.

SECOND SESSION

First English Lutheran Church
Los Angeles, Calif.
Wednesday, May 7, 1952, 9:00 a.m.

Time was given for clinics, conducted as follows:
The Bible in Daily Living—Mrs. L. A. Failing and Sister Mary Jane Jessen.
Presidents: Mrs. C. W. Baker and Mrs. Albert Schwertz.
Treasurers: Mrs. H. E. Russell.

Mrs. J. E. Hoick, chairman of the sixtieth anniversary committee, presented an excellent skit on the sixty years of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of California. We pay special tribute to Mrs. J. E. Hoick for this presentation and for outstanding leadership from the beginning of our society.

We were privileged again to have Mrs. C. W. Baker Jr. with us who gave the anniversary address.

The special afternoon and evening session was a joint Lutheran meeting for men and women. This was again held at the First Methodist Church, 8th and Hope St.

THIRD SESSION

Hollywood Lutheran Church
May 8, 1952, 9:00 a.m.

The session opened with the singing of the hymn "A Glory Gilds the Sacred Page." Devotions were led by Sister Mary Jane Jessen. Greetings from Hawaii were brought to the convention by Pastor Allport, who presented leis to Mrs. Schwertz, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Beasom, Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Balsley. The motion prevailed that Pastor Allport return warmest greetings to our women in Hawaii.

The following budget for 1952 was presented and adopted:

Free will offering	$ 3,500
Thankoffering	10,000
Life and In Memoriam	2,000
Patron and Protege	1,500
Deaconess	1,200
Rocky Boy	300
Administrative Fund	1,500
Synodical Missions	5,000
Total	$25,000

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Maynard Shoreen, chairman. Which was as follows: President, Mrs. Clarence Crouser; Vice President, Mrs. Carsten Alm; Secretary, Mrs. G. J. Grieve; Statistician, Mrs. Roy E. Peterson; Archivist, Mrs. William North. Motion prevailed that the nomination committee's report be accepted and that the secretary cast a unanimous ballot for the nominated officers.

The Rev. Dr. Frederick R. Knubel, official representative of the United Lutheran Church, was presented and addressed the convention.

Mrs. Max Gilmer, a chaplain's wife of Macomb, Ill., and Miss Louisa Miller, Retired Missionary, were introduced to the convention.

Mrs. Henry Scherer presided over the presentation of department secretaries.

It was again our privilege to have Mrs. Baker address the convention.

Dr. Hieronymus of Midland College, and a guest of the synodical convention was introduced.

The Thankoffering presentation was made by the secretary, Mrs. C. E. Engelhard, who was assisted by a speech choir of Long Beach. Thankoffering was received in the amount of . This was consecrated by Miss Louisa Miller.

After the closing collect luncheon was served by the women of Hollywood Church.

FOURTH SESSION

Hollywood Lutheran Church
May 8, 1952, 1:30 p.m.

The session opened with the singing of hymn "O Word of God Incarnate." Devotions were directed by Sister Mary Jane Jessen.

Dr. and Mrs. Ebright were introduced. Dr. Ebright is executive director of the California Lutheran Home.

The Life and In Memoriam presentation was given by Mrs. C. I. Nicholson, assisted by Mrs. Louis Mertz. A special and generous gift from Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Noel was received which made it possible for each new society to have a life membership. Life memberships were also given by First Lutheran of Fresno to the two missions in Fresno.

The portion of our program called "Information Please" presented the following: Lutheran Welfare, Mrs. Frederick Smith; Camp Yolijwa, Mrs. Robert Inslee; California Lutheran Home, Mrs. A. G. Dentman; Auxiliary of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary, Mrs. C. H. Moyer.

Report of Convention committees:

Recommendation committee report was presented by Mrs. Charles Miley, chairman. Motion prevailed that each recommendation be adopted.

Report of committee on officers was presented by Mrs. R. C. Kugel, chairman. The motion prevailed that officers reports be accepted and filed.

Chairman, Mrs. P. J. Kramer, presented the committee on department secretaries. The motion prevailed that reports be accepted and filed.

Committee on claims was presented by Mrs. Ellen Crandall. The motion prevailed that all bills be paid.

The committee on resolutions was presented by Mrs. William Pfeifer. Motion prevailed that resolutions be accepted.

Delegates and alternates to the Triennial Convention that were nominated by the conferences were ratified by the convention. Northern conference delegates are Mrs. Clarence Crouser, Mrs. Glenn Balsley and Mrs. John Holmes; alternates are Mrs. Charles Miley, Mrs. H. F. Rohrbach, and Mrs. J. J. Gent. Southern conference

delegates are Mrs. Orville Lyon, Mrs. Arthur Alm, Mrs. Quentin Garman, Mrs. J. P. Beasom, Mrs. Carsten Alm, and Mrs. H. E. Russell; alternates are Mrs. Henry Scherer, Mrs. C. I. Nicholson, and Mrs. Hazel Bustrum.

The national board member as nominated by the executive board was ratified. She is Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz with the alternate being Mrs. James P. Beasom.

An inspirational address by Mrs. Charles W. Baker closed our sixtieth annual convention. We are grateful to Mrs. Baker for her many addresses, her presence, and informative assistance.

Offering for synodical administration fund in the amount of was received and consecrated.

The newly elected officers were installed by Mrs. C. W. Baker.

The president, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz declared the sixtieth annual convention closed and presented the gavel to our newly elected president, Mrs. Clarence Crouser.

The missionary benediction marked the closing of the convention.

MRS. MAYNARD SHOREEN, Recording Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we gather together as delegates and visitors at this Sixtieth Annual Convention of the W.M.S. of the California Synod of the United Lutheran Church of America, it behooves us to bear in mind at all times that we are a part of Christ's holy Church, His Body. We must constantly be aware and bear witness to His living presence and be guided by His Word in all that we say and do." These are the opening words of our Synod's President in his annual report to Synod; they are most vital to us, too, as women of the Church.

This year in the great Church at large we shall think, study, and incorporate in our lives the theme, "The Living Word." May that "Living Word" help us renew our faith and make us more zealous witnesses for our Living God. To be good witnesses it is necessary we "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." We must know the commissions given by our Lord in His Word.

This is the Sixtieth year of Women's Missionary Society Convention has been held within our Synod. Sixty times a Convention has been opened in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Sixty times consecrated women have given of their time, talents, and energy in convention—on and on we could enumerate activities of the past sixty years. But these are vital and important days that we are spending together and we must look and plan for the days ahead; building upon the fine heritage that we have. Only because there were far-visioned women here in California can we enjoy being here today. Only because dreams were dreamed for this great territory—and these dreams were made realities, by courageous women who went before the General Convention in the East and told of the **need** of Christ's Church in this vast area, can we build today upon such splendid beginning. Throughout these Convention days, then, let us thank God often for the leaders in this Synodical Society during the sixty years of existence, and ever be mindful of their consecration and love for God.

Let each of us not leave our task unfinished or one stone unturned which shall open the way of Christ to seek souls outside the Church. We pray that God can count on **each** of us, as a responsible individual.

To Mrs. J. E. Hoick, one of these consecrated leaders through more than fifty years in the W.M.S., of which we speak, we pay special tribute at this convention. She has given of her love and talents in preparing the service of the Sixtieth Anniversary celebration.

"Two years ago a dream was born—a dream that would increase the spiritual life of every woman of the society," said Mrs. Baker in an edition of the Lutheran Womens Work. Each one of us has the task of awakening members spiritually, beginning with ourselves. There are only a few days left before final results are to be tabulated. Can each of us delegates (and visitors) say in her own heart: Yes, I have increased the quality of my worship; yes, I am a better member of my society trying to interest others; yes, I am growing in Christian stewardship?

Let us bring to our attention a few accomplishments of this part triennium. Statistics show that we have gained 15 new societies. Should we total the number of new societies received each of these three years, the number would be more than 20. But during this triennium there has been a definite trend in uniting the work of the women of our churches into one unit organization, with one roster of officers

and then having interest groups or circles. The membership has increased 952. Thus we rejoice in a total membership of 3,012. You will recall that at the last Convention we asked that our goal for Triennium would be 3,000. Thanks to all who have taken seriously the Triennium Emphasis and "With One Accord" and have worked without ceasing.

While the membership increased 9952, subscriptions to Lutheran Womens Work increased but 450.

Our Thank Offering goal of $10,000 was almost attained. The increase this year totaled $1,095.89. The increase for the triennium was $1,426.61.

We pray that the splendid increase is an indication of our worship (spiritual growth). We pray God's mercy has become more real to us.

Mission Study and Week of Prayer show growth, and while there have been no spectacular gains, it is true we have gone forward, slowly but surely. How worthwhile and what a practical investment it would be to consider seriously a full-time promotional executive in our Synodical. If it were possible to place on our budget a salary for one who would not only visit each society, but remain with each society to help train the leaders, explain and make live the many departments of the work, I am sure the increases in worship, membership, and stewardship would cause every Christian to rejoice. Are we brave enough to even think of such a possibility? Won't you dream of this plan, pray about it—seriously—then work for it?

Today we are to welcome into our Synodical family nine new societies, namely: Women of the Church

(a) Calvary Lutheran, Azusa
(b) Ascension Lutheran, Baldwin Park
(c) W.M.S. of Trinity, Manhattan Beach
(d) Dorcas Society, Santa Ana
(e) Isabel Society, Santa Ana
(f) Friendship Society, United Lutheran, Redding
(g) Bethany Lutheran, San Jose
(h) Women of the Church, Messiah Lutheran, Redwood City
(i) Women of the Church, St. Paul's, Sanger

Let us receive these new societies in Christian love and extend to them our interest and prayers.

We are especially thankful that as a Synodical we have had a part in making the new churches possible, through the offerings to Synodical Missions. The $4,000 given the past year was commendable and I pass on to you the thanks and appreciation of the Executive Board of Synod. As a part of "A Responsible Church" it is our responsibility—(let us think of it as a privilege) to help plant the church in new fields.

We welcome Sister Mary Jane Jessen to our Synod. She is spending six weeks visiting in churches, speaking to the Women of the Church, youth groups, and children. May her days with us prove a real blessing to all. We give thanks to the Board of Deaconess work that this field secretary has been assigned to promote the deaconate in our particular Synod.

A number of Filmstrips, "Lutheran Women at Work" have been purchased and it is the desire of the Synodical Board that **every** Society make use of this fine presentation of the work. We commend to all our societies the use of this film, as well as all audio-visual educational films (as recommended in Lutheran Womens Work) in promoting keener interest among its membership.

The Triennial Convention of the General Societies will meet September 20-24, 1952, in Philadelphia with the Bellevue Stratford Hotel as headquarters. We will be represented by nine delegates. We pray God's very special blessing upon these, our own, and upon this great Convention. There will be speakers of eminence from home and abroad bringing vital messages concerning the church in this troubled world.

It is with gratitude to the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society for making it possible to have a representative from the General Society present at this Convention. We welcome Mrs. Charles W. Baker, Jr., President of the Women's Missionary Society, who is taking many precious days from her busy life to be here. Mrs. Baker will attend the meeting of the Lutheran World Federation at Hanover, Germany, in July. It seemed imperative that our Women's Missionary Society president attend this important history-making period—since for a second time we are meeting as an all-Lutheran Convention. We are proud to have Mrs. Baker introduced to our fellow Synodical Bodies and speak at combined sessions. As she graces our own sessions we shall enjoy her as our consecrated leader and her challenging messages.

As your president, I have not given an accounting of my Synodical activities. I have represented you at many meetings and activities, and have done my best as your leader, which when I review the activities and results, seem far too little. Without the love and assistance of a wonderful Board, Conscientious congregational society presidents, and patience and understanding from you all, little could have been accomplished.

The three past years have passed by all too quickly. It has been a joy to serve my Lord in the capacity of president of this California Synodical. Thank you for your love and devotion; your cooperation, faith and prayers.

As we meditate on the Convention theme, "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth," let us accept the challenge, "What more can we do" in the field of service. Then let us plan a time to do this work, consecrate it, and do it lovingly and cheerfully.

"Christ died for me. All my life I must try to prove that my life was worth saving."

"Do worthy tasks remain undone because I lack faith, vision, and courage and the will to work?" God asks not to hear our lofty hymns, our pious prayers, our high creeds—no, He asks just our simple service!

O fill me with Thy fullness Lord
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling that and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praises show.—Amen

MRS. ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ, President

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we give thanks to Almighty God for His manifold blessings during the past year and implore His guidance and direction in planning an expanded missionary program.
2. That we pledge our loyal support to and pray earnestly for the whole program of the United Lutheran Church and to this enlarging program under the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches.
3. That we prayerfully consider the urgency of Lutheran World Action and contribute accordingly.
4. That we pray daily for the leaders of all nations to know and do the will of the Master in making a just and durable peace.
5. That we urge our churches to cooperate with the appeal for the Diaconate and to offer special prayers that young women may be found within the church to meet the needs of these times for a ministry of mercy and service in the name of the Saviour.
6. That each officer and departmental secretary, synodical and conference, keep a record or file of all the activities pertaining to her office and submit same to the new officer or secretary.
7. That all Conference projects be cleared through the Executive Board of the Synodical Society.
8. That a Literature depository be sponsored in some convenient area.
9. That $600, which is one unit, be placed on the 1953 budget toward the support of an overseas missionary.
10. That the Promotional Secretary encourage every society to use the filmstrip "Lutheran Women at Work."
11. That each Society strive to attain the Standard of Excellence.
12. That we make an earnest effort to continue:
    (a) To Deepen our Spiritual life through worship
    (b) To Increase our membership through personal contact
    (c) To Prove our Stewardship by giving generously of our gifts, time, and talents.
13. That the 1953 Women's Missionary Society convention be held separate from Synod, the time to be designated by the synodical board.
14. That these recommendations be mimeographed and placed in the hands of each society as soon as possible for their use as a guide in planning and fulfilling the program of the Women's Missionary Society for the year.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas our spiritual lives have been blest by God through increased worship, growth in membership and increased giving as influenced by Christian Stewardship, we humbly ask God that our lives may be strengthened by our Triennial Objective. We thank God for all His blessings to us and pray that we may go forth to "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth."

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we express our most sincere thanks to the Hollywood Lutheran Church and to its members for their most gracious hospitality during the Convention.
2. That we express thanks to the First English Lutheran Church, to Rev. and Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz, and the members of the congregation for their hospitality and untiring efforts in making the Convention a success.
3. That we express our deepest appreciation to our President, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz, for her inspirational leadership and outstanding work during her term of office.
4. That thanks be given to all the other officers, department secretaries, and special committee members for their faithful, loyal service during the past year.
5. That we thank Mrs. C. W. Baker, Sister Mary Jane Jessen, Dr. Frederick R. Knubel, The Rev. T. A. Allport, The Rev. Dr. W. P. Hieronymous, and The Rev. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch for their inspirational and challenging messages. And that Mrs. Hoick be given special mention for the beautiful anniversary program.
6. That thanks be given to the Churches of Hawaii for the beautiful orchid leis which were presented to Mrs. C. W. Baker, Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz, Mrs. J. P. Beasom, and Mrs. H. E. Russell, bringing us all within a circle of love and adding so much color to the Convention.
7. We express our sincere appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Beasom for the enlightment they instill in us through their guidance in our midst. We thank our Heavenly Father for answering our combined prayers for Dr. Beasom's recovery.
8. That we give thanks to God for all those who planned and prepared this program, to the devotional leaders, musicians, and all those who assisted to make the sessions at the Convention so inspiring and helpful.
9. That in prayer we ask our Heavenly Father for guidance to bring His Spiritually delinquent Children into the House or Worship, that we pray for Lutheran unity and Christian Leadership in our country and throughout the whole world.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee on Resolutions
Mrs. Wm. Pfeifer
Mrs. H. T. Gibson
Mrs. H. F. Rohrbach

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICER REPORTS

We, the members of the committee on the officers reports have examined the reports of the president, vice president, scretary, archivist and statistician and we recommend that they be accepted with thanks and that they be filed with the minutes of this Synodical Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Arthur Kruegel, Chairman
Mrs. J. J. Markowich
Mrs. L. A. Failing

EPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

The claims committee has gone over each of the claims submitted and recommend and move that the treasurer be authorized to make payment of these bills.

The Claims Committee,
Mrs. Ellen Crandall, Chairman
Mrs. Charles Clark
Mrs. Glidewell

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES REPORTS

This committee after studing the reports of the department secretaries recognize the value of the Standard of Excellence for societies and wish to recommend its continuance in the coming year, and urge more societies to reach the 100% goal. An increase of $632.26 free will offering was noted this year which shows splendid cooperation without specified dues. Patron and Protege shows an increase of $398.92. Judging by the Thank Offering to date, in faith the synodical will reach the goal of $10,000 before June 1st.

The committee wishes to express thanks and appreciation to the splendid work of each department secretary and commend the chairman for the unique presentation of the Department Work of the Women's Missionary Society of California.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Emily Wizman
Mrs. S. M. Seaburg
Mrs. Steiner
Mrs. P. J. Kramer

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser

Your vice president has attended all executive board meetings, has presented the work of the Women's Missionary Society before local groups on invitation, and has prepared the program for the 60th annual convention.

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Hazel S. Shoreen

I have compiled the minutes of the convention of the synodical society, have recorded the minutes of your Executive board. I have answered all correspondence promptly and all duties of the recording secretary have been performed to the best of my ability.

ARCHIVIST

Mrs. Wm. H. North

A complete file of Lutheran Women's Work, our official magazine, and all synodical minutes and programs are in a cabinet in the office of Synod in Los Angeles.

REPORT ON NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Helene Hjort, President

The 43rd annual Convention of the Northern Conference of the W.M.S. of the California Synod was held in First Lutheran Church, Fresno, Calif., on October 3 and 4, 1951. The theme was "One World In Christ," based on Galatians 3:26 "Ye are all the children of God by Faith in Christ Jesus."

There were 66 delegates, 88 visitors, 5 pastors and 12 pastors wives present. Also three guest speakers. This was an outstanding attendance in view of the fact everyone except the Fresno delegates and visitors had to travel at least 150 miles to be present. Fresno is the Southern outpost of Northern Conference and the nearest neighbor is San Jose.

The new officers elected were: Pres., Mrs. Glen O. Balsley, Vallejo; Vice Pres., Mrs. W. T. Dimmitt, San Jose; Sec., Mrs. Ross Hidy, Berkeley; Treas., Mrs. Carl Moyer, Richmond, and Archivist, Mrs. C. H. Jackson, Sacramento.

The devotions were well planned and presented by the leaders. Among the speakers were Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr.; Rev. Arthur Alm and Rev. Charles J. Clark. Two features of the Conference were worships on the foreign mission fields presented by various churches who had been in contact with the missionaries in the field and a visit to the International Institute.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Mrs. Henry Scherer

A record breaking attendance of 338 persons filled St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Santa Monica, Calif., on September 26, 1951. It was the 45th anniversary of the Southern Conference.

God chose to call home our efficient secretary. Mrs. Hazel Bustrum had both ability and willingness. Her task was done and she will be missed by her many friends.

The following officers were elected:

President.....Mrs. Orville Lyons
First Vice President.....Jeanette Larson
Second Vice President.....Eugene Haeftman
Secretary.....Mrs. Wayne Pfundstein
Treasurer.....Mrs. Frances Woodworth
Historian.....Mrs. R. E. Gerke

STATISTICIANS REPORT FOR 1951

Helene Hjort, Statistician

	North. Conf.	South. Conf.	Total
Membership 1950	809	1863	2672
Membership 1951	876	2136	3012
NET GAIN	67	273	340

	No. Societies	Members
Northern Conference	30	876
Southern Conference	62	2136
TOTAL	92	3012

Northern Conference has a net gain of three societies. While we are happy to welcome four new societies, Women of the Church, Bethany Lutheran, San Jose, Friendship Society, United Lutheran, Redding, Women of the Church, Messiah Lutheran Redwood City and Women of the Church, St. Paul's Lutheran, Sanger. A society reported as organized last year at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii never has materialized and the Pastor reports there is no society there.

Southern Conference has a net gain of four societies. There are five new societies, Women of the Church, Calvery Lutheran, Azusa, Women of the Church, Ascension Lutheran, Baldwin Park, Women's Missionary Society of Trinity, Trinity Lutheran, Manhattan Beach, and two new societies at United Lutheran, Santa Ana, the Dorcas Missionary Society and the Isabel Missionary Society. Young Women of the Church of First Lutheran, San Bernardino have disbanded.

Special mention goes this year to the Women of the Church, First Lutheran San Bernardino and to the Women of the Church of Grace Lutheran of Santa Barbara, each have organized evening circles of their society, thus arranging meetings for the Business and Professional Women in their churches. They will be reported as one society in each case with two circles.

STATISTICAL REPORT ON THE TRIENIUM

	North. Conf.	South. Conf.	Total
Membership, 1948	610	1450	2060
Membership, 1951	876	2136	3012
NET GAIN IN TRIENIUM	266	686	952

	No. Societies		Members	
	1948	1951	1948	1951
Northern Conference	25	30	610	876
Southern Conference	52	62	1450	2136
TOTAL	77	92	2060	3012
NET GAIN		15		952

There has actually been many more than 15 new societies during the Trienium but there has been a definite trend to uniting the Women's work under one set of officers with various circles thus the net gain in societies is only fifteen.

TRIENNIAL COMPARISON 1948-1951

	North. Conf.		South. Conf.		Totals	
	1948	1951	1948	1951	1948	1951
NUMBER OF SOCIETIES	25	30	52	62	77	92
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	610	876	1450	2136	2060	3012
MEMBERS UNDER 30	71	97	197	189	268	286
STUDENTS	....	1	11	12	11	13
HOMEMAKERS	569	694	1280	1862	1849	2556
BUSINESS & PROF. WOMEN	78	171	219	262	297	433
MISSION STUDY						
No. American Missions	....	8	10	19	10	27
World Missions	4	15	16	34	20	49
No. Persons in Group	66	175	219	373	285	548
No. Completing Reading Course	20	25	75	79	95	104
WEEK OF PRAYER						
No. Soc. Observing Wk. of Pr.	16	12	22	27	38	39
No. of meetings held	46	29	51	58	97	87
Used W.M.S. Material	5	8	18	20	23	28
LUTHERAN WOMANS WORK	305	417	932	1270	1237	1687
No. Soc. using Monthly Dated Programs	19	17	41	40	60	57
PROGRAMS						
Societies using Undated Material		4		7		11
Unified Plan	15	20	34	34	49	54
No. Societies having Public Thank Offering Service	15	24	36	39	51	63
SPECIAL AIDS						
Boxes to No. Am. Missions	28	23	53	107	81	130
Boxes to World Missions	250	258	582	133	832	391
Boxes to Synodical Missions		4		28		32

EDUCATION DIVISION

LITERATURE

Mrs. Gladys Smith Lock

Literature sold at 1951 Convention at Sacramento	$ 40.08
Literature sold at Southern Conference Sept. 26	51.11
Literature sold at Northern Conference Oct. 3-4	80.00
	$171.19

Letters have been sent to each society giving information concerning current literature and Mission Study Books.

MAGAZINE "LUTHERAN WOMAN'S WORK"

Mrs. Eldon R. Miller

	Membership	Magazine Subscriptions
Northern Conference	876	417
Southern Conference	2136	1250
TOTAL	3012	1667

MISSION STUDY

Mrs. E. Dale Click

	North. Conf.	South.Conf.
Home theme classes	8	19
World theme classes	15	34

Total classes presented—76

reaching—548 persons

Individuals completing Reading Course—104

Increased enthusiasm for Mission Study in California Synodical has brought the number of classes 200 per cent over the previous year. This energy, however, represents only 40 of our 90 societies. Eleven societies presented both home and foreign classes; but 50 presented neither.

The Lord in truth will bring increase when intelligent planning is preceded and fortified by prayer unceasing. Although the number of classes increased, this vital study program still reached only 548 individual women out of our 3012 total members, a very low 11 per cent. Our aim should then be not only to begin and continue the pleas of a Mission Study program in every society but also to renew our vigor in bringing more women to the classes. Better promotion will increase attendance. The high quality of our interesting and informing presentation will maintain the attendance.

Let not "Reading Course" scare you. Read the two basic M. S. books, one other approved devotional or biographical book, the Bible daily, LWW and The Lutheran regularly, and you can say "yes" to "Reading Course. We can heighten that poor figure of 104.

The 1951-52 MS themes continue until fall. "Churches for Our Country's Needs" (Home) and "Latin America" (World).

SPECIAL GIFTS DIVISION

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND IN MEMORIAM DEPARTMENT

Dec. 15, 1950 to Dec. 15, 1951

Mrs. C. I. Nicholson

Life Membership and In Memoriam Secretary

Life Memberships received	157
Honorary Life Memberships received	19
Total Life Memberships received	176
Life Memberships on Synodical roll	1856
Honorary Life Memberships on Synodical roll	405
Total Life Memberships on Synodical roll	2261
Transferrals received	13
In Memoriams received	7
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams received	20
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams on Synodical roll	309
Total income from this department for 1951	$2130.00

PATRON AND PROTEGE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report — 1951

Sophie A. Roloff

Individual sponsors, Sunday Schools and the various "Women of the Church" groups of the California Synodical have supported nine native workers and thirty scholarships in India, China, Japan, Liberia, South America and the Virgin Islands for the year 1951.

Total cash receipts:

9 native workers	$ 550.00
30 Scholarships	1510.00
TOTAL	$2060.00

The Women's Missionary Society of the California Synodical participate in this department in sponsoring two scholarships to South America.

SYNODICAL MISSIONS

Mrs. H. R. Lime

Letters were written to local society presidents during the year reminding them of this new item on our budget. Although the goal was not realized, contributions from 65 societies amounted to the large sum of $3561.10. Most important of all: Our societies are evidencing greater enthusiasm and interest for Home Mission work.

SPECIAL AIDS

Mrs. Roy S. Peterson, Special Aids Secretary

Special emphasis in 1951 for Special Aids was warm clothing and knitted articles for Japan and layettes and dispensary supplies for India. Many boxes of clothing were sent for European relief, and the Mission at Rocky Boy Indian Reservation also received numerous boxes of clothing and supplies.

It is encouraging to report an increase over 1950 in both box work and cash donations. The total number of boxes in 1951 was 553 as against 364 in 1950—an increase of 189. Donations for Rocky Boy exceeded the amount set up in the budget by $71.01, and general contributions to the Special Aids fund increased from $123.57 in 1950 to $135.03 in 1951. However, there is constantly increasing need in the fields assisted through Special Aids, and our response must double and triple if we are to continue to meet the challenge.

Twenty-six Northern Conference and fifty-seven Southern Conference societies report the following:

No. boxes to World Missions	391
No. boxes to North American Missions	130
No. boxes to Synodical Missions	32
Money sent for Special Aids	$135.03
Money sent for Rocky Boy Mission	371.01

THANK OFFERING

Mrs. Albert B. Schwertz

Mrs. Walter M. Johnson has served as a most efficient secretary until the last few weeks when it became necessary for her to give up this work for the present.

Through her untiring efforts our goal of $10,000 was almost attained. $9,641.22 was received for the fiscal year of 1951. For the Trienium the sum of $24,566.15 was received. This is the highest figure ever attained by our Synod.

The spiritual emphasis on Thank Offering never changes. Our slogan: "A daily gift, a daily prayer, That all the world our Christ may share" is paying dividends. Do we realize that one-third of the budget of the Women's Missionary Society of the ULCA comes from our Thank Offering?

I feel sure that our Trienial Objective—Worship—Membership—Stewardship—has been realized in part, at least; because only women who are consecrated and take God at His Word will work and give realizing "Only one life, 'Twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last."

PROMOTION DIVISION

DEACONESS WORK

Mrs. J. P. Sandretto

Interest and enthusiasm in Deaconess work should be evident in every congregation after the visit of Sister Mary Jane Jessen. Plans for conferences in youth groups would be most beneficial. Set aside one or more Sundays in June to bring before your congregations the importance of Deaconess work. A message from Sister Mary Jane Jessen brings inspiration to our groups. "I consider the opportunity to visit all of your churches a very high privilege. For several years now, the eyes of the church have been on the great work our Lord has been accomplishing in your synod. To meet with you personally will be the fulfillment of a long desire. As a deaconess I feel confident that there must be many young people in a synod that is known for its youth as well as its vigor. I hope I shall meet many young women as well, so that I might open for them many doors of service for Christ and His Church."

STUDENT CENSUS REPORT FOR 1951 - 52

Mrs. Charles A. Miley, Student Census Secretary

Although this annual report on the Student Census is a little disappointing in percentage of congregations reporting for our 60th Anniversary of the W.M.S., I would like to give a comparative report.

	Percentage of Cong. reporting	Men	Women	Total	In Luth Schools Total Men & Women
1950 - 51	88%	241	138	379	36
1951 - 52	83%	164	113	277	32

Twenty-seven young men are either in our seminaries or are taking pre-theology college work in preparation of their life work. Two young women are preparing for Church social work, one for the diaconate, and 12 as nurses. Our Lutheran young people are preparing in a wide variety of vocations as you would find noting that these students attended nine Lutheran institutions and 70 non-Lutheran institutions.

The Student Census is the only means by which the church can judge the personalized interest of congregations in higher education and the proportionate attendance in colleges. Also the success of the Churches educational program will be manifested in the type and caliber of the spiritual leaders, officials, representatives and lay workers in the Church.

PROMOTION

Mrs. J. P. Beasom, Promotional Secretary

Your secretary of promotion is happy to report that she has had the privilege of visiting in many of the congregations and fields where services are held in our Synod, especially in the Mission congregations. Literature has been distributed and sent to new societies, including the "organization packet," and the "Lutheran Womens Work."

Your secretary has promoted the unified program with its free will offerings to a large number of our Congregational womens groups. One half of our societies are now operating under this plan, which has been the cause of increased interest,

Nine new societies were organized during the year, and from the report of the membership and contributions to the cause of missions.
statistician, we have had an increase of over 300 in membership. Almost 1000 members were gained during the trienium, and 21 societies were organized during that period. The statistical report, however, will show a lower number of increase because many of the societies within Churches combined, thus eliminating a higher number of new societies.

A colored filmstrip, "How Lutheran Women Work" is now available upon request from your promotional secretary.

Your secretary would like to express appreciation to all who have assisted in creating and building the missionary work in our Synod. But none of our work would be possible without the Lord's help. To Him we give all of the praise, glory and honor.

As we enter another year and another trienium we should all rise up to the tremendous challenge of our vast fields. We should do all within our power to strengthen our own congregational society. We should cooperate to make the conferences even more effective. And we should work together in the Synodical and National program, that we may witness to Jesus to an ever widening company both within the vast field of our Synodical territory and the lands beyond.

TRIENNIAL EMPHASIS

Mrs. Robert Inslee, Secretary

To evaluate the accomplishments of the three-fold emphasis of the W. M. S. as has been incorporated into all phases of the work of the Department Secretaries and Committee Chairmen for the Triennium is an impossibility. Financial and statistical reports reflect tangible results of the Emphasis, but each missionary woman must evaluate the Emphasis on WORSHIP—MEMBERSHIP and STEWARDSHIP as it has affected her as on individual and as it has influenced her as an active member of her Society.

It was my privilege to present the Department Secretaries at the Southern Conference Meeting, in the form of a magazine entitled "Lutheran Women at Work." I have spoken at a number of societies and was the Thank Offering Speaker for Altadena Lutheran Church at a Sunday morning service.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

December 31, 1950 to December 31, 1951

lance on hand December 31, 1950		$ 1,930.09
eceipts:		
Free Will Offering	$ 3,624.29	
Thank Offering	9,641.22	
Life Membership and In Memoriam	2,155.00	
Patron and Protege	1,824.49	
Deaconess	163.84	
Special Aids	135.03	
Rocky Boy	371.01	
California Lutheran Home	179.12	
Lutheran Welfare	64.50	
Designated Gifts	253.81	
Administrative Expense Fund	964.69	
Synodical Missions	3,561.10	
Bavarian Mothers	335.04	
International Scholarship	40.00	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary—Books	60.00	
		23,373.14
Total		25,303.23
sbursements:		
To National Treasurer	18,390.72	
Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Departmental Secretaries' Expense	74.94	
Board Meeting Expense	91.71	
Officers' Expense	154.94	
Printing and Stationery	129.56	
Convention Expense	149.09	
Lutheran Welfare	64.50	
California Lutheran Home—Infirmary	174.12	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary—Books	60.00	
Synodical Missions	4,303.99	
International Scholarship	40.00	
Lutheran Woman's Work—Subscriptions	37.50	
Memorial—C. L. Home—St. Paul's—Vallejo—Guild	5.00	
Conference Dues—To Mrs. Francis Woodworth	6.50	
Rev. Albert Alsop—From Women of the Church, Trinity—L.B.	38.67	
Refund—Life Membership—Epiphany—San Leandro	5.00	
		23,731.24
lance on hand December 31, 1951		1,571.99
Balance on hand as follows:		
Life Membership	20.00	
Patron and Protege	35.00	
Deaconess	169.50	
Rocky Boy	71.01	
Administrative Expense Fund	1,276.48	
		1,571.99

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. E. Russell
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TREASURER—WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, DEC. 15, 1950, TO DEC. 31, 1951—Table 1

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emphasis	Free Will	Life Membership In Memoriams	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran Home	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administrative Expense Fund	Synodical Missions	TOTALS	No. of Society
1	Alhambra, Grace (Women of the Church)	90.00	25.00	20.00	12.00	2.00		2.00	2.00			11.00	36.00	200.00	1
2	Alhambra, Grace (Christian Life Circle)	69.06	18.60	10.00						45.00				142.66	2
3	Alhambra, Calif. Luth. Home (Louisa Miller Soc.)	121.15	25.00	10.00	1.00	1.00		1.00				14.13	10.00	183.28	3
4	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	71.36	40.95	10.00								3.99	1.35	127.65	4
5	Altadena, Lutheran (Women of the Church)	119.27	39.00	10.00								10.58		178.85	5
6	Azusa, Calvary, Women of the Church	32.26												32.26	6
7	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Women of the Church)	103.18	60.00	30.00	10.00	1.00		10.00			5.00	15.00	40.00	274.18	7
8	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Scheehl-Kramer Grp.)	43.35	36.00	10.00									10.00	99.35	8
9	Beverly Hills (Women of the Church)	64.63	36.00	40.00	4.00	1.00						21.00	2.00	168.63	9
10	Burbank, Luther Memorial, Women of the Church	81.45	36.00	10.00								4.00	10.00	141.45	10
11	Central Valley, St. James, Women of the Church	18.75	9.10	20.00								2.45	10.00	60.30	11
12	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	41.66	61.00	20.00	3.00	2.00	13.00	2.00	12.50			5.29	30.00	190.45	12
13	El Monte, Redeemer (Women of the Church)	61.67	20.00	10.00								2.00	12.50	106.17	13
14	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	146.29	40.40	10.00	5.00	4.00			5.00			20.90	84.00	315.59	14
15	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	69.76	47.71	10.00		1.50		2.50	2.50		5.00	12.34	61.83	213.14	15
16	Gardena St. John's (Women of the Church—Day)	160.81	30.30	10.00	25.00				11.00			25.75	25.00	287.86	16
17	Gardena, St. Johns, Women of the Church–Eve	13.36	10.50	10.00		1.00			10.00			1.00		45.86	17
18	Glendale, First (W. of the Ch. —Day and Eve.)	686.20	192.00	240.00	220.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	30.25		74.25	50.00	420.00	1962.70	18
19	Hollywood, Lutheran (Women of the Church)	77.20	20.00	20.00		5.00								122.20	19
20	Hollywood, Lutheran (Florence M. Welty)	99.62	38.00	10.00		1.00						23.50	20.30	192.42	20
21	Honolulu, Hawaii (Ladies' Guild and Miss.)	58.92	11.00	20.00		1.00						4.50		95.42	21
22	Huntington Park, St. Luke's (Women of the Church)	83.93	31.34	10.00	2.09	3.13		10.45	10.45			10.45	20.89	182.73	22
23	Inglewood, Holy Trinity, Women of the Church	113.99	109.41	20.00	50.00						50.00	47.20	150.00	540.60	23
24	La Canada, Ch. in Foothills (Women of the Church)	18.42	16.50									1.50		36.42	24
25	Las Vegas, Nev., Reformation (Women of the Ch.)		27.70	10.00								2.50	2.00	42.20	25
26	Long Beach, Faith (Women of the Church)	19.02	10.82	10.00							10.00	1.24	2.06	53.14	26
27	Long Beach, Lakewood (Women of the Church)	88.05	34.31	20.00								1.80	16.80	160.99	27
28	Long Beach, Trinity (Women of the Church)	526.50	225.00	400.00	245.00	17.00		40.00			100.67	65.00	484.00	2103.17	28
29	Los Angeles, Advent (Women of the Church)	177.27	49.40	20.00	80.00	5.00						13.30	38.00	382.97	29
30	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas)	50.82	28.41	10.00		1.00						5.55		95.78	30
31	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	73.44	18.93	10.00	6.30	1.00		1.00				5.00	12.00	127.67	31
32	Los Angeles, Bethany (Women of the Church)	11.00	10.00	20.00	1.00		2.00	5.00				2.00	2.00	53.00	32
33	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Day)	770.46	120.00	235.00	175.00	5.00		10.00				40.00	350.00	1705.46	33
34	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	128.00	36.25	10.00				25.00				8.75	50.00	258.00	34
35	Los Angeles, St. Mark's (W. M. S.)	97.00	32.50	35.00		2.00	14.00	25.00				8.75		214.25	35
36	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts)	60.57	20.00		60.00			20.00				4.80	30.00	195.37	36
37	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)	23.13	12.00	10.00										45.13	37
38	Manhattan Beach, Trinity, Women of the Church	11.69												11.69	38
39	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Women of the Church)	86.40	17.10	10.00		9.21		10.00					15.00	147.71	39
40	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Yowomis)	18.55	45.14											63.69	40
41	Norco, Bethany, Women of the Church	5.00										1.50		6.50	41
42	North Hollywood, St. Matthew's (Mena Spirer)	188.70	34.00	45.00	15.00	5.00					10.00	8.00	23.00	328.70	42
43	North Hollywood, St. Matthew's (Faith)	117.14	27.00	30.00		5.00					20.00	8.00	16.00	223.14	43

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emphasis	Free Will	Life Membership In Memoriams	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran Home	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administrative Expense Fund	Synodical Missions	TOTALS	No. of Society
48	Phoenix, Ariz., Grace (Women of the Church)	305.00	320.00		360.00	15.00		15.00				5.00	10.00	1030.00	48
49	Pomona, Trinity (Women of the Church)	38.00		20.00									30.00	88.00	49
50	Redding, United, Women of the Church	22.15		10.00									4.00	36.15	50
51	Redlands, First (Women of the Church)	56.00	29.00	10.00		2.00		20.00	6.00			5.00	10.00	138.00	51
52	Redlands, First (Women's Guild)	29.87											13.20	43.07	52
53	Redwood City, Messiah, Women of the Church	27.53												27.53	53
54	Reno, Nev., Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Circle)	31.38	32.00	10.00	4.00							8.00	15.00	100.38	54
55	Richmond, Grace (Women of the Church)	250.00	100.00	20.00	80.00	5.00		25.00				20.00	150.00	650.00	55
56	Richmond, St. James' (Women of the Church)	65.45	24.00	20.00	2.00		4.00			17.00		6.30	18.00	156.75	56
57	Riverside, Trinity (W. M. Guild)	119.50	69.90	15.00									10.00	214.40	57
58	Riverside, Trinity (Nona M. Diehl)	67.95	34.10	10.00			5.00	10.00				13.00	22.00	162.05	58
59	Sacramento, First (Women of the Church)	203.42	66.80	10.00	4.00	3.00		10.00	6.00		10.00	14.00	25.00	352.22	59
60	Sacramento, St. John's (Dorcas)	136.05	64.00	30.00	8.00	2.00		9.00	10.00			15.00	45.00	319.05	60
61	Sacramento, St. John's (Mary E. Oehler)	129.76	42.00	10.00	25.00	5.00		10.00	5.00		115.00	16.00	40.00	397.76	61
62	Sacramento, St. Paul's (Miss. Guild)	45.76	20.00	10.00		1.00		2.00				2.00		80.76	62
63	San Bernardino, First (Women of the Church)	96.20	60.00	35.00	5.00		18.00					17.50	50.00	281.70	63
64	San Bernardino, First (Young Wm. of the Church)		10.00		3.00							1.00	1.00	15.00	64
65	San Diego, Christ's, Pacific Beach (Wm. of the Ch.)	92.80	99.31	20.00									50.00	262.11	65
66	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Day)	133.50	48.00	10.00	90.00	2.50			5.00		15.00	15.00	42.50	361.50	66
67	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	94.10	16.00	10.00	50.00	3.00					10.00	8.25	5.00	196.35	67
68	San Diego, First (Junior Women of the Church)	91.33	20.00	10.00	5.00		10.00						5.00	141.33	68
69	San Diego, St. Peter's (Women's League)	122.28	31.20	30.00	2.00	2.00		5.00	10.00			8.40	66.00	276.88	69
70	San Fernando, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	60.08	24.00									5.95		90.03	70
71	San Francisco, First (Women's Guild)	63.73	12.80	10.00				9.21	9.21				9.21	114.16	71
72	San Francisco, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	142.96	30.73	45.00	50.00							10.00	25.00	303.69	72
73	San Francisco, St. Matthew's (W.M.S.)	20.00	30.00	10.00		7.50						2.50	5.00	75.00	73
74	San Francisco, Temple (Women of the Church)	22.50	28.00									4.00	16.00	70.50	74
75	San Jose, Bethany, Women of the Church	26.38	7.00											33.38	75
76	San Jose, Grace (Women of the Church)	206.32	99.00	10.00	10.00	5.00		5.00			21.00	17.50	48.00	421.82	76
77	San Leandro, Epiphany, Women of the Church	26.38		25.00									10.00	61.38	77
78	San Mateo, St. Andrew's (Women of St. Andrews)	134.77	36.72	10.00	4.10	2.00		4.00				3.60		195.19	78
79	Santa Ana, United, Dorcas	56.91	10.00	10.00								2.50		79.41	79
80	Santa Barbara, Grace (Women of the Church)	150.00	58.50	20.00	10.00	3.00						15.75	45.00	302.25	80
81	Santa Monica, St. Paul's (Guild and Miss.)	167.70	81.70	30.00		5.00		15.00			20.14	24.00	110.00	453.54	81
82	Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	144.33	35.00	10.00	4.00	1.00			1.00	2.50		10.00	6.00	213.83	82
83	Vallejo, St. Paul's (Guild)	190.25	86.00	20.00	40.00	2.00		8.85	18.21			24.00	105.46	494.77	83
84	Van Nuys, St. Andrew's (Women of the Church)		17.50	40.00								15.50	25.00	98.00	84
85	Westwood Village (Women's Guild)	71.70	35.00					1.00	25.00					132.70	85
86	Whittier, Salem (Women of the Church)	106.58		10.00	4.00	1.00		1.00			5.00	35.00		162.53	86
87	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Women of the Church)	44.02	29.00				9.03	2.00				10.00	15.00	109.05	87
88	Northern Conference (W. M. S.)												68.84	68.84	88
89	Southern Conference (W. M. S.)										104.69		237.47	342.16	89
90	W. M. S. —Synod of California	84.50									108.10	122.90	108.00	423.50	90
	TOTALS	9641.22	3624.29	2155.00	1824.49	163.84	135.03	371.01	179.12	64.50	688.85	964.69	3561.10	23373.14	

Statistical Report — Wowen's Missionary Society of the Northern Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1951 — Table 1

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	No. of Members Jan. 31, 1951	No. Soc. Org. Before Dec. 31, 1950	No. Soc. Org. Since Dec. 31, 1950	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Dec. 31, 1950	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	Mission Study: No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	Mission Study: No. Study Groups: World Missions	Mission Study: No. Persons In Groups	Mission Study: No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	Week of Prayer: No. Meetings Held	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	LWW: No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	Programs: No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	Programs: No. Societies Using UNDATED Mo. Programs	No. of Society
	NORTHERN CONFERENCE																				
1	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Wm. of Ch.)	40	1		40		2		38	2					1	5	1	31	1		1
2	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Scheehl Kr. Gr.)	15	1		18	3	3		15	3					1	5	1		1		2
3	Centaal Valley, St. James, Women of the Church	8	1		7		3		7									4			3
4	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	39	1		39		1		39			2	20		1	3	1	11	1		4
5	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	40	1		35	6	3		25	10								6	1	1	5
6	Fresno, St. Pauls (Wm. of Ch.)	7	1		11				11									12			6
7	Honolulu, Honolulu Luth . Ladies' Guild)	34	1		28				25	3					1	1		11			7
8	Oakland, First (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		50	10			40	10					1	4	1	50	1		8
9	Oakland, St. Johns (W. M. S.)	13	1		12				12						1	1	1	10	1		9
10	Redding, United Lutheran, Friendship Circle			1	16	6	16		14	2								15			10
11	Redwood City, Messiah Lutheran, Wom. of the Church			1	15		15		15									10			11
12	Reno, Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Cir.)	25	1		28	6	8		24	4											12
13	Richmond, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	55	1		62				59	3		1	8					32	1		13
14	Richmond, St. James (Wm. of Ch.)	18	1		22		4		22					5				14	1		14
15	Sacramento, First (Wm. of Ch.)	43	1		45		5		41	4		1	40		1	1		25	1		15
16	Sacramento, St. Johns (Dorcas Soc.)	26	1		29		3		29			2	8	6	1		1	18	1		16
17	Sacramento, St. Johns (Mary E. Oehler Soc.)	44	1		47	2	3		15	32		1	4					17	1		17
18	Sacramento, St. Pauls (Miss. Guild)	25	1		25	8	1		19	6								4		1	18
19	San Francisco, First (Womens Guild)	12	1		12	3	5		9	3					1			12	1		19
20	San Francisco, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	36	1		36	5	3		16	20								5		1	20
21	San Francisco, St. Matthews (W. M. S.)	15	1		15		3		15		1	1	10		1	1		3			21
22	San Francisco, Temple (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		20				20		1	2	16					4	1		22
23	San Francisco, Temple (Gamma Chi Eve. Cir.)	12	1		15	6	3	1	2	12	3	1	12					3	1		23
24	Sanger, St. Pauls, Women of the Church			1																	24
25	San Jose, Bethany, Women of the Church			1	19	3	19		17	2								13	1	1	25
26	San Jose, Grace (Miss. Wm. of Ch.)	47	1		50	1	6		41	9		1	21	5	1	3	1	40	1		26
27	San Leandro Epiphany (Wm. of Ch.)	84	1		60	10	20		50	10								10			27
28	San Mateo, St. Andrews (Wm. of St. Andrews)	25	1		35	7	13		15	20				1				7			28
28	Vallejo, St. Paul's St. Paul's Guild)	61	1		70	19	9		55	15	3	3	36	8	1	5	1	30	1		29
30	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		15	2			14	1								20			30
	TOTAL	809	26	4	876	97	108	1	704	171	8	15	175	25	12	29	8	417	17	4	

No. of Society	World Day of Prayer	Program Material	PROMOTION DIVISION					DIVISION OF SPECIAL GIFTS													Women Students from Cong.			No. of Society
			Unified Plan	Outreach to Non-Members			Volunteer Service	Thank Offering				Patron & Protege			Life Membership and "In Memoriam"			Special Arts						
	No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	No. Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	No. Societies Attended by Non-Members	No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	No. Members Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	No. Public Thank Offering Services	No. Societies Participating in a joint Public T. O. Service	No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	No. Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships	No. Old People, Orphans and Babies Supported	No. Life Members Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. In Memoriam Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. Transferals Since Jun. 30, 1949	No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	No. Boxes Sent World Missions	No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Nurses in Training	
NORTHERN CONFERENCE																								
1	1	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							2	100	2				1
2			1			1		1	1		1								2					2
3								1																3
4	1		1		1	1			1										8					4
5		10	1	1	1				1									1	1					5
6			1			1																		6
7	1	10	1	1	1	1		1											36					7
8	1	25	1	1	1	1		1		1								1	12					8
9	1	12						1			1							6						9
10		16	1	1	1	1		1		1									9					10
11			1		1			1		1	1								6					11
12	1				1	1				1	1													12
13	1	50	1		1	1	1	1	1	1								1	6					13
14	1	5	1	1	1	1		1	1	1														14
15	1	45	1		1	1	10	1		1	1							3	3					15
16	1	25		1	1	1	15	1	1	1	1								1					16
17	1				1				1	1	1							1						17
18	1	25	1				4	1			1							2	1					18
19		12		1	1	1	5	1		1	1								3					19
20			1	1	1	1	5	1											9					20
21	1	25	1	1	1	1		1	1										8					21
22		5	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1								1					22
23		3	1	1	1	1	1	1		1	1							1	3					23
24																								24
25		8	1		1	1	2	1	1	1								2	20	2				25
26	1	50		1	1	1		1		1	1								23					26
27				1	1	1		1	1		1							1						27
28	1	22						1			1								3					28
29	1	52	1	1	1	1	10	1			1							2	3					29
30	1	10	1	1	1	1		1		1	6													30
	17	444	20	16	23	22	57	24	12	16	22							23	258	4				

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Conference for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1951—Table 2—Cont'd.

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	FOR CONFERENCE OR SYNODICAL USE: No. of Members Jan. 1, 1951	MEMBERSHIP: No. Soc. Org. Before Dec. 31, 1951	No. Soc. Org. Since Dec. 31, 1951	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Dec. 31, 1951	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	EDUCATIONAL DIVISION: Missions Study: No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups: World Missions	No. Persons In Groups	No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	No. Meetings Held	No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	LWW: No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	Programs: No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	No. Societies Using UNDATED Mo. Programs	No. of Society
	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2																				
31	Alhambra, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	30	1		28		2		28						1	4	1	8	1		31
32	Alhambra, Grace (Chr. Life Circle)	22	1		23		1		23						1	4		35	1		32
33	Alhambra, C. L. H. (Louisa Miller Soc.)	20	1		23		3		23						1		1	3			33
34	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		24	2	4		22	2	1	1	7		1	2	1	12	1		34
35	Altadena, Altadena Lutheran (Wm. of Ch.)	30	1		30	4	6		20	10					1	1		10		1	35
36	Azusa, Calvary Lutheran, Women of the Church			1	10		10		9	1	1							10	1		36
37	Baldwin Park, Ascension, Women of the Church	30		1																	37
38	Burbank, Luther Mem. (Dorcas Soc.)	28	1		39	9	9		24	15								7	1	1	38
39	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	10	1		35		7		35		1	12						30		1	39
40	El Monte, Redeemer (Wm. of Ch.)	18	1		10	5			8	2								10	1		40
41	Gardena, St. Johns (Wm. of Ch.)	11	1		19	2	3		19		1							18	1		41
42	Gardena, Sr. Johns (Wm. of Ch.—Eve)	188	1		21	3	6		16	5		1	20		1		1	18		1	42
43	Glendale, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day & Eve.)		1		189	5	31		161	28		2	30	10	1	5	1	182	1		43
44	Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's, Women of the Church	65	1		10	3	10		10										1		44
45	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	34	1		114	12	10		114			1	15		1	1	1	40	1		45
46	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (F. M. Welty Soc.)	50	1		30	10			25	5		1	30		1	1	1	35			46
47	Huntington Park, St. Lukes (Wm. of Ch.)	67	1		50				50						1		1	25	1		47
48	Inglewood, Holy Trinity (Dorcas)	15	1		70		8		70			1	45		1	2		12			48
49	La Canada, Evangelical Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		25		10		25									12			49
50	Las Vegas, Reformation (Wm. of Ch.)	16	1		15				15												50
51	Long Beach, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	21	1		15				15									3	1		51
52	Long Beach, Lakewood, Eve. (Wm. of Ch.)	132	1		29	7	11	1	21	7		1	6					10			52
53	Long Beach, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	38	1		144	20	12		122	22		1	29	11	1	5	1	133	1		53
54	Los Angeles, Advent (Wm. of Ch.)	17	1		41		8		38	3	1	1		20	1	1	1	42	1		54
55	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas Soc.)	14	1		16	3	4		2	14		1	18						1		55
56	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	7	1		14	12	5	5		9		1	20					7	1		56
57	Los Angeles, Bethany (Wm. of Ch.)	30	1		12	1			11	1								5	1		57
58	Los Angeles, Beverly Hills Lutheran, Women of the Church	80	1		30	1	5		30						1	1		25			58
59	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day)	25	1		85		5		85		1	1			1	1	1	85	1		59
60	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Eve.)	25	1		30					30	1	1	30								60
61	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	12	1		25				25									15			61
62	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts Soc.)	37	1		13		2		11	2											62
63	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)		1		46	9	10		39	7								5			63
64	Manhattan Beach, Trinity, Wom. Miss. Society	13		1	8	1	8		8									10	1	1	64

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2

	World Day of Prayer	Program Material	PROMOTION DIVISION					DIVISION OF SPECIAL GIFTS														Women Students from Cong.			
			Unified Plan	Outreach to Non-Members			Volunteer Service	Thank Offering				Patron & Protege			LifeMembership and "In Memoriam"			Special Aids						
No. of Society	No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	No Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	No Societies Attended by Non-Members	No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	No. Societies Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	No. Public Thank Offering Services	No. Societies Participating in a Joint Public T. O. Service	No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	No. Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships	No. Old People Orphans and Babies Supported	No. Life Members Since June 30, 1949	No. In Memoriam Since June 30, 1949	No. Transferals Since June 30, 1949	No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	No. Boxes Sent World Missions	No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Nurses in Training	No. of Society
31	1		1		1	1	1	1		1	1							6						31
32	1	3	1	1	1					1	1							3	2	2				32
33	1	18						1	1	1								2	4	2				33
34	1				1	1	5	1		1								2	7					34
35	1	20	1		1	1	25	1		1	1							3						35
36				1	1	1		1		1														36
37																								37
38	1	20	1	1	1	1	9			1	1													38
39	1			1	1	1	25			1	1													39
40	1		1		1	1		1		1	1							1						40
41		6	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1									1				41
42		30			1	1		1	1	1														42
43	1	188	1	1	1	1	80	1	1	1	1							7	2	2				43
44	1	10	1	1	1	1																		44
44	1	114	1		1	1		1	1	1	1								20					45
46	1	30		1	1	1		1	1	1	1							1						46
47	1	50	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1													47
48	1	30	1		1	1	35			1								10	7	1				48
49		8			1	1					1							1	10					49
50																								50
51			1			1			1	1									2					51
52	1	3	1	1	1	1	5	1		1	1							2	5	2				52
53	1	58	1	1	1	1	21	1		1	1							11	8					53
54	1		1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1								4	9	3				54
55		16	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1							2	1	1				55
56		12	1		1	1			1	1	1								3	1				56
57					1	1	2			1														57
58	1	30	1	1	1	1	15	1	1	1	1							5		2				58
59	1			1	1	1	40	1	1	1	1							8	1					59
60	1	15		1	1	1		1	1	1	1													60
61	1	50			1						1							1		1				61
62		6			1	1	2			1														62
63		46	1	1	1		8			1	1									1				63
64	1	2		1	1		2											1	1					64

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1951—Table 2—Cont'd.

FOR CONFERENCE OR SYNODICAL USE			MEMBERSHIP								EDUCATIONAL DIVISION										
											Mission Study				Week of Prayer			LWW	Programs		
No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	No. of Members Jan. 31, 1951	No. Soc. Org. Before Dec. 31, 1949	No. Soc. Org. Since Dec. 31, 1949	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Dec. 31, 1949	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups: World Missions	No. Persons In Groups	No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	No. Meetings Held	No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	No. Societies Using UNDATED Mo. Programs	No. of Society
	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																				
65	Monterey Park, St. Pauls (W.M.S. of St. Pauls)	13	1		18		6		19									15		1	65
66	Monterey Park, St. Pauls (Yowomis Soc.)	22	1		15	5	6		10	5					1	1		20	1		66
67	Norco, Bethany, Wom. of Ch.		1		10		10		9	1								1			67
68	North Hollywood, St. Matthews (Mena Spirer Soc.)	25	1		26		3		26									23	1		68
69	North Hollywood, St. Matthews (Faith Soc.)	20	1		15		7		15	7								21	1		69
70	Pasadena, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	60	1		65		5	5	45	15		4	15		1	1	1	60	1	1	70
71	Phoenix, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	25	1		48		18		48						1	1			1		71
72	Phoenix, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	60	1		70	8			70			1			1		1	30	1		72
73	Pomona, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		24	5	0	1	23									15	1		73
74	Redlands, First (Wm. of Ch.)	19	1		15				15												74
75	Redlands, First (F. L. Wms. Guild)	22	1		18				17	1					1	1	1	10	1		75
76	Riverside, Trinity (W. Miss. Guild)	20	1		19		3		19		1		16	16	1		1	8			76
77	Riverside, Trinity (Nona Diehl Soc.)	23	1		29	8	7		17	12	1		29					10	1		77
78	San Bernardino, First (Wm. of Ch.)	40	1		50	6	10		40	10	1	1	10	10	1	1	1	12	1		78
79	San Diego, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day)	26	1		29		2		29		1	1	12		1	12	1	29	1		79
80	San Diego, First (Wm. of Ch.—Eve.)	16	1		16		1		3	13	1		3		1	1	1	18	1		80
81	San Diego, First (Jr. Wm. of Ch.)	10	1		15	4	5		12	3	1	1	12	12			1	12	1		81
82	San Diego, St. Peters (Women's League)	24	1		28	4	4		28						1	3			1		82
83	San Diego, Christ (Wm. of Ch.)	45	1		50	2	5		50		4		16		1	4		33	1		83
84	Santa Ana, United Lutheran, Dorcas Miss. Society			1	21	3	21		18	3	2		10					30	1		84
85	Santa Ana, United Lutheran, Isabel Miss. Society			1	13	10	13		9	4									1		85
86	Santa Barbara, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	45	1		50	5	5		50									4	1		86
87	San Fernando, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	27	1		21	12	3		19	2								22			87
88	Santa Monica, St. Pauls (Guild & Miss. Soc.)	74	1		77		12		72	5								25			88
89	Tucson, Our Saviours (Wm. of Ch.)	30	1		35		5		20	15		2			1	5	1	20	1		79
00	Van Nuys, St. Andrews (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		23	2	3		20	3								30			90
91	Westwood Village, Village Luth. (Miss. Guild)	25	1		25				25									3	1		91
92	West Whittier, Salem (Wm. of Ch.)	20	1		30	6	10		30									13	1		92
	TOTAL SOUTHERN CONFERENCE	1843	57	5	2136	189	360	12	1862	262	19	34	373	79	27	58	20	1270	40	7	
	GRAND TOTAL BOTH CONFERENCES	2652	83	9	3012	286	468	13	2566	433	27	49	548	104	39	87	28	1687	57	11	

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																								
65	1			1	1	1		1	1	1	1													65
66	1			1	1	1		1	1	1	1									1				66
67					1	1																		67
68	1	20	1	1	1	1		1	1	1								1	1					68
69	1	22			1		10											2	10	2				69
70	1		1	1	1	1	20	1		1	1							5	3					70
71	1	48	1	1	1	1	15	1			1							1	18	1				71
72		70	1	1			120				1							3	3					72
73				1	1	1		1	1	1								1	1					73
74					1	1				1														74
75	1	12	1		1			1	1	1														75
76	1	16				1		1		1									4					76
77	1		1		1	1			1	1	1							2						77
78	1	30	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1								1	1					78
79	1	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1							1						79
80	1				1	1	1		1	1	1							1	1					80
81		10	1		1	1		1	1	1	1													81
82	1	28	1	1	1	1	3			1	1							1		2				82
83	1				1	1	10	1		1	1													83
84		21		1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1													84
85		13		1	1	1		1	1		1								3					85
86	1	50	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1								1	3				86
87	1				1	1		1		1	1													87
88	1			1	1	1	12	1	1		1							4	1					88
89	1		1		1	1	10	1		1								1	2					89
90			1	1	1	1		1										13						90
91	1		1	1	1					1	1								1					91
92	1		1		1	1	1	1		1	1								1					92
	42	1134	34	34	56	51	492	39	28	49	39							107	133	28				
	59	1578	54	50	79	73	549	63	40	65	51							130	391	32				

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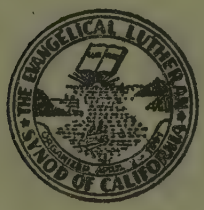

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ROLL OF SYNOD

CLERICAL ROLL	Year Ordained	Entered Synod	Conference	ADDRESS OF MINISTER	CONGREGATION SERVED	LAY DELEGATE	LAYMAN'S ADDRESS
ACKERMAN, J. EMORY, TH.D.	1944	1944	S	Fremont, Nebraska	Midland College		
ALLPORT, THOMAS A.	1944	1950	N	P.O. Box 227, Lihue Kauai, T.H.	Lihue Lutheran Church		
ALM, ARTHUR W.	1942	1943	S	832 Marshall Blvd., San Bernardino	First English	John Steffens	689 W. Foothill, Fontana
ALSOP, ALBERT	1944	1945	S	Pringles 119, Olavarria FNGR, Buenos Aires, Argentina	Foreign Miss.		
ANSPACH, HOWARD A., D.D.	1913	1930	S	3827 Wellington Rd., Los Angeles 8	St. Mark's	Mrs. S. H. Yerian	4427 West 59th St., Los Angeles 43
ATTWOOD, GEORGE K.	1951	1951	N	1133 O'Farrell St., San Francisco	St. Mark's, Assist.		
AWERKAMP, ORVAL A.	1935	1935	S	2336 Oregon Ave., Long Beach	Trinity	Lawrence Michelson	2332 Oregon Ave., Long Beach 6
BALSLEY, GLEN O.	1945	1947	N	1309 Tuolumne St., Vallejo	St. Paul's	William R. Perkins	1408 Carl Ave., Vallejo
BARNHART, E. PAUL	1952	1953	S	324 S. Louise Ave., Azusa	Calvary	Chester Olson	912 North Dalton, Azusa
BEASOM, JAMES P., JR., D.D.	1923	1937	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	President of Synod		
BENKO, VLAD P.	1945	1949	S	4668 Tivoli St., San Diego	St. Peter's	Mrs. M. F. Stough	4385 Cape May Ave., San Diego 7
BERGSTRESSER, PHILIP W.	1944	1944	N	1824 55th Ave., Oakland	St. John's	Mrs. J. S. Kissinger	2117 Seminary Ave., Oakland 21
BITTER, JOHN C.	1917	1923	N	603 E St., Fresno 6	Wartburg		
BLOUGH, WM. H.	1928	1949	S	4427 Overland Ave., Culver City	Grace	Edward Peterson	10742 Braddock Drive, Culver City
BONKER, MILUS W.	1945	1946	N	556 31st St., Richmond	Grace	R. T. Ash	727 34th St., Richmond 2
					Harbor Gate	Delmer Christensen	40 Harbor Ct., So. Richmond
BOWMAN, J. WILLIAM	1948	1949	S	1162 N. Huntington Blvd., Pomona	Trinity	Ream Durst	P. O. Box 125, Ontario, Calif.
CLARK, CHARLES J.	1951	1951	N	Rt. 2, Box 173A, Placerville	Mt. Olive Parish		
CLAUS, AUGUST S.	1943	1943	N	2112 Lotus Ave., Fresno 6	St. Paul's	George Schneider	Rt. 3, Box 418, Fresno
CLICK, E. DALE	1944	1944	N	643 28th Ave., San Mateo	St. Andrew's	Fred Lett	1205 Vancouver Ave., Burlingame
CLUTZ, FRANK H.	1931	1949	S	805 E. Camelback Rd., Phoenix,	Faith	William F. Steffenhagen	4745 North 32nd St., Phoenix
CROUSER, CLARENCE F.	1930	1930	N	187 N. Tenth St., San Jose	Grace	Carl A. Lindberg	485 Minor Ave., San Jose 10
DORN, J. GEORGE, D.D.	1915	1927	N	1135 O'Farrell St., San Francisco 9	St. Mark's	Ben S. Brockie	779 South Mayfair, Daly City
EBRIGHT, OAK W., D.D.	1919	1952	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra	Executive Director, California Lutheran Home for the Aged		
EDERMA, BRUNO	1925	1951	S	2675 Sierra Ave., Norco	Bethany	Lyle Siglar	1048 Fifth, Norco
EDWARDS, W. MORGAN	1942	1953	N	2940 39th St., Sacramento 17	First English	Ervin G. Schlenker	3809 42nd St., Sacramento
ENDTER, CHARLES A.	1952	1953	N	418 Rigg St., Santa Cruz	New Mission		
ENDTER, DONALD W.	1945	1945	S	2101 Grand Ridge, Monterey Park	St. Paul's	Stephen C. Saunders	241 W. Arlight St., Monterey Park
FAILING, L. A.	1934	1946	S	2450 N. Parish Pl., Burbank	Luther Memorial	Norman Meier	1067 East Tujunga, Burbank
FELLNER, M. JOHN	1948	1949	S	2064 5th St., San Fernando	St. Mark's		
FLORA, GEORGE	1936	1951	N	2310 Hedding St., San Jose	Bethany	Albert Rule	2285 Walnut Grove Ave., San Jose
FOELSCH, CHARLES B., PH.D., D.D.	1915	1953	N	2770 Marin Ave., Berkeley 8	Pres., Pacific Luth. Theol. Sem.		
FOERESTER, JOHN D., S.T.M.	1943	1951	S	908 Church St., Redlands	First English		
GARMAN, QUENTIN P.	1944	1947	S	1108 Diamond St., San Diego	Christ	Harold Price	826 Queenstown Ct., San Diego
GLIDEWELL, JACK W.	1949	1950	S	Box 1673, Globe, Arizona	St. Paul's	Carl Elkins	Claypool, Ariz.
GRAY, LOUIS G., THD.	1921	1951	N	775 Bailey Ave., Apt. 3, Mt. View	New Mission	Carl Luderjsen	661 Emerson, Los Altos
HANSEN, R. WALDO	1951	1951	S	126 Cordova Walk, Long Beach	Gloria Dei		
HEINECKEN, F. W.	1929	1945	S	3925 Walnut St., Riverside	Trinity	Sam Rathke	Rt. 5, Box 501, Riverside
HIDY, ALBERT S.	1951	1951	N	16248 Carolyn St., San Leandro	Epiphany	Arnold Luedker	17039 Rolando Ave., Hayward
HIDY, ROSS F.	1942	1945	N	3045 Hillegass, Berkeley 5	St. Michael's	Garnet Grieve	593 The Alameda, Berkeley
HINTZ, WALDEMAR G.	1945	1951	N	831 16th St., CHA No. 3, Honolulu	Pearl Harbor		
HOLAND, CLIFFORD B.	1927	1938	S	8320 Rayford Dr., Los Angeles 45	Transfiguration	Casper B. Taw	3486 Clarington Ave., L. A. 34
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	8888 Rosewood Ave., L. A. 48	Beverly Hills	Phil E. French	260 S. Maple Dr., Beverly Hills

Keim, Walter R.	1952	1953	N	417 S. Oregon St., Yreka	Mt. Zion	H. J. Hjertager	711 Main St., Yreka
Kleinbergs, Oscar D.	1933	1952	S	685 Witmer St., L. A. 17	Peace (Latvian)	Alfons Times	1844 Chickasaw St., L. A. 41
Klover, Wm. W., D.D.	1931	1953	S	431 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	Glenn Jackson	715 17th St., Santa Monica
Knudten, Arthur C., Ph.D.	1920	1943	N	921 Saginomiya Nichome Nakanoku Tokyo, Japan	Japanese Luth. Theo. Sem.		
Kohler, Henry Irving, D.D.	1919	1930	S	7011 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 3	Bethany	H. G. Vogel	7700 Miramonte Blvd., L. A. 1
Lamberts, Eduards J.	1938	1951	N	1128 N, Sanger	St. Paul's	Ted Schengel	1126 N. Street, Sanger
Lindsay, H. C.	1931	1942	S	1007 E. Smith Ave., Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	Mrs. Roger C. Thomas	135 E. Missouri, Phoenix
Linton, Kenneth E.	1947	1948	N	926 Gold St., Redding	St. James, Central Valley United, Redding	Rudolph Racki Dan Morgan	Central Valley P. O. Box 904, Redding
Lorimer, Harold J.	1944	1944	S	1961 East Villa St., Pasadena	Student		
Lucas, Herman	1923	1925	N	544 Belvedere St., San Francisco 17	St. Matthew's	Albert L. Gercke	10 Pemberton Pl., San Francisco 14
Mattson, Edward J., S.T.D.	1927	1947	N	3171 22nd St., San Francisco 10	Ex. Director, Lutheran Welfare Council of Northen California		
Mertz, Louis F.	1946	1946	S	3806 San Anseline Rd., Long Beach	Lakewood	Marshall Schramm	5210 Monlaco Ave., Long Beach 8
Meyer, Christian H.	1944	1951	S	14301 Martha St., Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	Vincent Johnson	8708 Hazeltine Ave., Van Nuys
Miley, Charles A.	1929	1946	N	2720 58th St., Sacramento 17	St. Paul's	Walter Finch	5640 35th Ave., Sacramento
Miller, Eldon R.	1944	1944	N	15 Latona St., San Francisco 24	Temple	Mrs. Walter Williams	185 Carl St., San Francisco 17
Mosling, Donald P.	1945	1951	S	3040 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach 10	Faith	August Hansen	2041 Gale Ave., Long Beach
Moyer, Carl H.	1933	1950	S	2246 Paloma St., Pasadena 7	Trinity	Albert S. Anspach	6109 Camellia, Temple City
Nickel, Raymond L.	1945	1951	S	2071 So. Broadway, Santa Ana	United	Betty Lou Nickel	2071 South Broadway, Santa Ana
Nield, John B., Ph.D.	1943	1943	S	11613 E. Bryant Rd., El Monte	Redeemer	Mrs. A. C. Bertelsen	4249 N. Cogswell, El Monte
Olson, Goodwin T.	1929	1951	N	725 Lansing Way, Fresno 4	Faith	Ralph A. Kitley	1743 North Angus, Fresno
Olson, Stanley E.	1952	1953	S	2222 S. 4th Ave., Yuma, Ariz.	New Mission	Ralph Miner	P. O. Box 1286, Yuma, Ariz.
Pederson, Gerald O.	1951	1951	S	3921 Baldwin Park Blv., Baldwin Pk.	Ascension	John C. Snyder	13540 East Tracy, Baldwin Park
Robison, David E.	1937	1947	S	6444 So. Glengarry Ave., Whittier	Salem	Oscar L. Evenson	10722 Rose Hedge Drive, Whittier
Romeis, H. Paul	1931	1936	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L. A. 5	Assistant to the President of Synod		
Romeis, Robert S.	1938	1938	N	1709 L St., Sacramento 14	St. John's	Oswalt Steinbrenner	3125 Lake Drive, Carmichael
Ruccius, Walter M.	1917	1951	S	1109 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara	Grace	Mrs. J. H. Jendresen	821 East Carrillo St., Santa Barbara
Sabins, Walter E.	1952	1953	N	1331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond 6	St. James'	Mrs. Tilda E. Long	Richmond, Cal.
Scherer, Henry H.	1928	1943	S	1329 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles 6	Advent	Mrs. Nelle C. Krause	851 West 61st, L. A. 44
Scholl, Titus R.	1938	1946	S	197 W. Foothill Blvd., Altadena	Altadena	Robert Brammer	2054 N. Madison Ave., Altadena
Schott, Franklin H.	1942	1952	S	3934 E. Coronado St., Phoenix	Mt. of Olives	Le Roy S. Midton	1801 East Thomas Rd., Phoenix
Schwertz, Albert B., D.D.	1924	1941	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	First	Howard A. Weisman	110 North Detroit St., L. A. 36
Senft, Kenneth C.	1952	1953	N	227 D St., Redwood City	Messiah	Mrs. Mina Green	470 Garden St., East Palo Alto
Simmons, John G.	1942	1951	S	11031 Camarillo St., No. Hlywd.	St. Matthew's	Wendell E. Larson	730 N. Fairview, Burbank
Smith, Charles P.	1938	1943	S	2721 E. Florence Huntington Park	St. Luke's	Herman Kruse	3637 Beck Ave., Bell
Smith, Frederick A., Th.D.	1931	1945	S	1371 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 15	Ex. Sec., Luth. Welfare Council, So. Calif.		
Soldan, A. J., D.D.	1901	1929	S	11421 Waterford St., Los Angeles 24	Westwood Village		
Spindt, George A.	1945	1945	S	1919 E. Silver, Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	Erle Glidewell	437 East Hermosa, Tucson
Spirer, Edward N., D.D.	1930	1931	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L. A. 5	Director, Church Extension Division		
Steffens, George E.	1952	1953	N	2836 Claire Court, Sacramento 21	New Mission		
Stremel, Wm. W.	1952	1953	N	3007 The Alameda, Concord	New Mission	Robert Vernon	2118 Ann St., Concord
Stuhr, Walter M.	1931	1948	S	328 S. Marengo Ave., Alhambra	Our Saviour's	O. G. Ofstedahl	1801 South Ethel St., Alhambra
Stump, John P.	1940	1948	S	1308 Salisbury Rd., La Canada	Foothill		
Swanson, Franklin A.	1938	1942	N	3660 Pahoa Ave., Honolulu 16	St. Paul's	Ralph Riesberg	Honolulu, Hawaii
Tambert, Carl V.	1932	1946	S	1303 N. Brand, Glendale	First	Howard Logan	757 Pioneer Dr., Glendale
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Valbracht, Edw. F., S.T.M., D.D.	1915	1951	S	1365 Linden Ave., Glendale	First, Glendale, Associate Pastor		
Vosseler, Erwin A.	1920	1941	S	1320 2nd Ave., San Diego 1	First	Otis C. Dillahunt	4030 Hamilton St., San Diego 4

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Wagner, Donald E.	1945	1945	N	1283 Holman Rd., Oakland 10	First English	E. F. Gelling	1118 Norwood Ave., Oakland 10
Wallner, W. E.	1931	1953	S	1857 Cochran Ave., L. A. 19	Jewish Mission		
Weaver, J. Benner	1944	1944	S	3120 W. 81st St., Inglewood	Holy Trinity		
Wheatley, Robert C.	1947	1949	S	1204 W. 163rd St., Gardena	St. John's	Magnus C. Larsen	620 West 182nd St., Gardena
Wolpert, Paul H.	1943	1943	N	64 Fountain Way, Fresno	First English	James E. Schmidt	2610 South Becker, Fresno
Youngquist, James A.	1952	1953	S	5027 Dunrobin, Long Beach	New Mission		
Vacant			S	433 N. Atlantic Blvd., Alhambra	Grace	Philip F. George	121 West Haven Ave., Arcadia
Vacant			S	1733 N. New Hampshire Ave., Hly.		D. M. Lingle	6777 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood
Vacant			N	448 S. Beretania St., Honolulu, H.	Honolulu	Bernhard Hormann	Honolulu, T.H.
Vacant			N	6555 Geary at 30th Ave., San F.	First		
Vacant			N	1010 Bridger, Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation		
Vacant			S	5 Sunnyside Drive, Reno, Nev.	Good Shepherd	H. Jerome Seim	150 West Tenth St., Reno, Nev.
Vacant			N	2750 Marin Ave., Berkeley	Shepherd-of-the-Hills	Mrs. Henry Klamt	35 Del Mar Ave., Berkeley

CHAPLAINS

Forsyth, Willis J.	1946	1947	S	Chaplain's Office, Commander Destroyer Squadron 16, c/o Fleet P.O., N. Y.
Kzeldahl, Ragner, S.T.M.	19	1951	N	Emb. Branch Y.M.C.A., 166 Embarcadero, San Francisco
May, Erwin T., Lt. Col.	1931	1931	N	Bldg. 208, Ft. Mason, S.F.P.E., San Francisco
Miley, Dwight L.	1936	1946	N	Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Meade, South Dakota
Schwenk, Elwood	1921	1947	N	412 Morago Ave., Piedmont 11, Chap. Vet. Adm. Hospital, Oakland
Vosseler, Lawrence	1941	1941	N	Chaplain's Office, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland 14, Calif.
Wharton, Paul C.	1938	1949	S	3316½ W. 77th St., Los Angeles 43, Chaplain, Santa Monica & California Hospitals
Wright, Edward Dewitt, Cdr.	1923	1937	S	Area Chaplain's Office, Box 3, Commander Marianas, FPO San Francisco

RETIRED

Broyer, John R., Ph.D.	1896	1912	N	1622 Great Highway, San Francisco 22
Fieblekorn, Albert	1903	1921	S	275 N. Alta Vista, Monrovia
Groseclose, Albert L.	1911	1945	S	99 N. Chester Ave., Pasadena 4
Harshman, L. A.	1907	1944	S	1308½ Talmadge St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.
Harter, Norman N.	1895	1911	S	2506 S. Bronson St., Los Angeles 27, Calif.
Herold, J. S., D.D.	1900	1939	N	138 N. 11th St., Miamisburg, Ohio
Hoick, John Edward, D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1898	S	1091 Leighton Ave., Los Angeles 37
Hormann, Arthur, Ph.D.	1911	1947	N	P. O. Box 2922, Honolulu, T.H.
Kohls, George H.	1913	1951	N	1221 Fairview Ave., San Jose 25, Calif.
Leech, Harvey M.	1894	1919 (1912)	S	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Meyer, Emil	1900	1919	N	3900 Lakeshore, Oakland 10
Moyer, F.E.	1912	1944	S	2404 F St., San Diego 2
Oehler, Charles F., D.D.	1888	1893	N	1713 J St., Sacramento 14
Poat, Wm. F., Ll.D.	1901	1920	N	3710 Mintern St., Riverside
Schmidt, Henry F.	1895	1930	S	646 Cerritos Ave., Long Beach 12
Snyder, Daniel J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1903	1908	S	2085 Linden St., Long Beach 6
Trabert, E. A., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1919	N	21 Chestnut Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.
Weaver, H. J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1900	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra

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1	Los Angeles	1891	Rev. O. C. Miller	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Mr. John Everding	8	5
2	San Francisco	1892	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Mr. John Everding	10	6
3	Sacramento	1893	Rev. Philip Graif	Rev C. W. Maggart	Mr. John Everding	12	8
4	San Diego	1894	Rev. M. H. Stine	Rev. J. S. Simon	Mr. John Everding	16	10
5	Los Angeles	1895	Rev. C. W. Maggart	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Mr. John Everding	17	9
6	San Jose	1896	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	17	11
7	Oakland	1897	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	20	12
8	Sacramento	1898	Rev. E. Nelander, Ph.D.	Rev. J. W. Ball	Mr. John Everding	20	11
9	San Diego	1899	Rev. J. W. Ball	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
10	San Francisco	1900	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	17	10
11	Los Angeles	1901	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	10
12	Alameda	1902	Rev. William Kelly	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
13	Sacramento	1903	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	13
14	Riverside	1904	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	21	14
15	San Jose	1905	Rev. H. J. Weaver	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	24	16
16	Sacramento	1906	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	22	18
17	Redlands	1907	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	27	20
18	Santa Barbara	1908	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	20
19	Fresno	1909	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	21
20	San Francisco	1910	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	29	21
21	San Diego	1911	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	30	22
22	Los Angeles	1912	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	41	24
23	Sacramento	1913	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	42	27
24	Santa Barbara	1914	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	43	28
25	Mt. Hermon	1915	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	44	29
26	Long Beach	1916	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. M. N. Harter	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	29
27	San Francisco	1917	Rev. C. F. Oehler, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	30
28	Pasadena	1918	Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	45	30
29	Oakland	1919	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	46	30
30	San Diego	1920	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	51	30
31	San Jose	1921	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	32

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33	San Francisco	1923	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	33
34	San Diego	1924	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	35
35	San Francisco	1926	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	60	35
36	Glendale	1927	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. S. T. Himes, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	66	38
37	Oakland	1928	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	63	38
38	Hollywood	1929	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Richard H. Trojan	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	58	37
39	Sacramento	1930	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	37
40	Long Beach	1931	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	64	37
41	San Francisco	1932	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	68	38
42	Los Angeles	1933	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	65	36
43	Oakland	1934	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	62	36
44	Riverside	1935	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	64	35
45	San Francisco	1936	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, D.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	63	37
46	Phoenix, Arizona	1937	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	66	37
47	Sacramento	1938	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	37
48	Santa Monica	1939	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	60	37
49	San Jose	1940	Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	57	36
50	Los Angeles	1941	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	38
51	Sacramento	1942	Rev. Wm. H. Derr, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	38
52	Glendale	1943	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	67	39
53	San Francisco	1944	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	68	39
54	Pasadena	1945	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	83	42
55	Oakland	1946	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	90	46
56	Hollywood	1947	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	101	52
57	San Diego	1948	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	99	60
58	San Francisco	1949	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	65	61
59	Huntington Park	1950	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	73	68
60	Sacramento	1951	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	110	72
61	Los Angeles	1952	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	115	80
62	Richmond	1953	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	122	83

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SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD

of California

The 62nd Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California was opened in Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Richmond, Calif., on January 26, 1953 with devotions by The Rev. Frank H. Clutz, Chaplain of Synod, on the theme "The Spirit's Presence" followed by the use of the prescribed order for the opening of Synod, led by The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of the Synod.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D., Editor of "The Lutheran," then presented the first in a series of lectures on The Church and State on the theme "Search For Sanctions"

FIRST SESSION

The service of Holy Communion was held on January 26th beginning at 7:30 p.m. with the following participants: Homilist, The Rev. Frank H. Clutz, Chaplain of the Synod; Liturgist, The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary of Synod; Lector, The Rev. Milus Bonker, Pastor Loci; Administrants, The Rev. Ross F. Hidy and The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, Presidents of Conferences.

SECOND SESSION

January 27, 1953 — 9:00 a.m.

The second session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "We Adore Thee."

The roll was called by the Secretary of the Synod. The following Convention Committees were announced by the Secretary:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:	The Rev. F. W. Heinecken, Chairman Dr. Albert B. Schwertz The Rev. Guy L. Hudson Mr. Howard Weisman Mr. Herman Kruse
CLAIMS:	The Rev. Clarence Crouser, Chairman Mr. Wayne Pfundstein Mr. Carl Bell
LETTERS AND PAPERS:	The Rev. E. A. Vosseler, Chairman Mr. H. G. Vogel Mrs. J. Jendresen
TELLERS:	The Rev. L. A. Failing, Chairman The Rev. John Stump, Co-Chairman Assistants—Seminarians
CONVENTION PUBLICITY:	The Rev. Milus Bonker, Chairman Mr. Howard Logan— Reporter to "The Lutheran"

LAY MEETING:	Mr. Leo Johnston
EXCUSES:	Dr. J. George Dorn, Chairman Mr. Walter Finch Mr. LeRoy S. Midton
ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY:	The Rev. John Simmons
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:	The Rev. Frank Clutz, Chairman The Rev. Thomas Allport The Rev. Elwood Schwenk The Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz The Rev. Edward Mattson, S.T.D.

The motion prevailed that the Committee on Reference and Counsel and the Secretary of Synod be instructed to devise a more expeditious means of determining the Roll at the Conventions of Synod.

The Motion prevailed that the Secretary of Synod announce the Roll of Synod on Tuesday noon.

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was presented by The Rev. L. A. Failing, Chairman. Motion prevailed that the printed Bulletin be the official program of Synod with the following changes:

That the Report of the Director of Church Extension follow the Report of the President in the first session.

The Report of the Reporter to The Lutheran be inserted in the Fourth Session after the Report of the Director of The California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

The Reports of the Women's Fellowship and the Publicity Committee to follow the Report of the Committee on Women's Organizations in the Fifth Session.

Report of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal to follow the Report of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Board during the Sixth Session and the U.L.C.A. Convention Delegates Report to follow the Report of the Committee on Faith and Life in the Seventh Session.

The Rev. Lawrence A. Vosseler, Chaplain in the U. S. Navy was welcomed to the Convention and addressed it briefly.

The Motion prevailed that we express from this Convention to every pastor of the Synod serving as a Chaplain, the greetings of the Convention and assure him of our continued prayers.

The Rev. Milus Bonker, pastor of the host congregation, was introduced and welcomed the delegates. Motion prevailed that it be mandatory upon the delegates to be present for the luncheon today noon and that any cost above the amount of the offering received, be defrayed by the Synod.

Mr. Delmer Christianson, Vice President of the Harbor Gate congregation, was introduced and also welcomed the Convention.

Mr. Gust Allyn, Mayor of the City of Richmond, was introduced and welcomed the Convention.

Mr. Bert Johnson, President of the Council of Churches of Richmond, was introduced and brought greetings.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D., official representative of The United Lutheran Church in America, was welcomed to the Convention.

Mr. Henry B. Morton of Los Angeles was welcomed.

Motion prevailed that we waive the item in the Constitution and that a voice and vote be granted to all pastors in the California Synod who are in the general work of the Church.

The President of Synod presented his report.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

"Beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ; mercy unto you, and love be multiplied." Amen.

"This priceless treasure we hold, so to speak, in a common earthenware jar—to show that the splendid power of it belongs to God and not to us. We are handicapped on all sides, but we are never frustrated; we are puzzled, but never in despair. We are persecuted, but we never have to stand it alone; we may be knocked down but we are never knocked out! Every day we experience something of the death of the Lord Jesus, so that we may also know the power of the life of Jesus in these bodies of ours. We are always facing death, but this means that you know more and more of life. Our faith is like that mentioned in the Scripture:

I believed and therefore did I speak.

For we too speak because we believe, and we know for certain that He Who raised the Lord Jesus from death shall also by Him raise us. We shall all stand together before Him." II Corinthians 4:7-14 (J. B. Phillips Translation.)

Your President of Synod does not mind explaining to the Church, and especially to this Convention, that he has felt the burdens of the office of the Presidency of Synod; that at times, he has felt quite alone, only to feel the real presence of the Saviour; that he has seemingly been knocked down, but that there have been hands that have lifted him up; that he has walked through the Valley of Darkness, even the Valley of the Shadow of Death, but that there has been a resurrection from an inexhaustible source of Power, inexplicable to himself except in the name of Christ Jesus. In much that same fashion, he writes to the Church now in this report because he has felt the arms of the Church lifting him up, even as the Convention has been brought together in prayer and in supplication on his behalf. He wishes to express to the whole Church his recognition of this Act of God in the lives of the Church, and to assure the Church that even as God has lifted him up through those who minister in the Church, he will seek with renewed power and effort to march forward even in the same spirit as he was confident that God had called him and installed him in this office. He wishes to assure the Synod that he recognizes his habitation of the common earthenware jar in which this priceless treasure of the Lord in love has entered, and that he continues to be grateful for this privilege and honor thus bestowed upon a humble servant as he seeks truly to remain humble and as he prays faithfully for the Grace of God to be upon him, that in no manner shall his ministry in this office bring harm or injury to anyone, and least of all upon the Church of Jesus Christ.

He is confident that God has wrought within him a resurrection, even as each day he feels the throes of death and the resurrection in the Saviour. So he is confident that if we move forward in this Faith there shall be a renewed spirit and a lively hope and a confident assurance of a real resurrection as we see a resurgent Synod on this territory. We move forward in the Power and Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ to fulfill the God-given task that is ours. To this end, your President will seek, by the help of God, to be used of Him and Him alone.

Perhaps the most distinctive factor in the Constitution of the early Christian Church, is found in its confidence in the abiding presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. Yes, He had died, but: "He rose again, He ascended unto heaven, and is now seated on the right hand of God, the Father." In this dynamic way, these early followers in the train of faith confirmed their faith in a living, powerful, and ever present Lord, in the person of Jesus, the Christ.

Long before the sacred Scriptures of the Old and New Testament were gathered together in what we now have as the Holy Bible, Christians were administering the Sacraments, confident of the real presence and the assurance of His grace in the forgiveness of their sins and the strengthening of their faith, as well as the imparting of life and life eternal.

I am confident that the real presence of the Christ has been with us and is with us today as we begin this Convention. It is His Church and not ours, for where the Lord is, there is the Church. Let us therefore do everything as we would in His

presence. Let our decisions be made in the same manner as we have been called together.

To the many individuals whom God has called to serve with the President of Synod during these years, both in the Synod and in the Church at large, as well as those who have gone before and who have planted the seeds, your President expresses his deep gratitude, for this binds his people together in a true relationship. In the body of the larger Church we have been given the responsibility of the territory which we call the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, which covers the states of California, Arizona, Nevada, and the Hawaiian Islands. To many individuals it means many different things and for that reason, I take this opportunity to represent to the Synod in Convention, that it might have wider circulation, that which I gave to the Pastors of Synod in one of my Pastoral Letters on the Synod.

"OUR SYNOD"

One of the oldest terms in Christian literature, fraught with the life and death of martyrs, steeped in the faith and tradition of the early Church, and filled with meaning beyond modern explanation, is the Greek word "ODOS," THE WAY. Jesus used the term in describing Himself to His disciples when He called Himself "THE WAY."

"SUNODIA" which is a combination of two Greek words "SUN" and "ODOS" is used in the New Testament (Luke 2:44) in explanation of the historic incident in the life of Christ when He was twelve years of age and His parents believed that He was "SUNODIA," that He was in the company of the travelers associated together on the journey northward from Jerusalem. Thus, there has come down through years of usage in the Christian Church a magnificient word, "THE SYNOD," which has carried the import of those who were associated together as they journey in "THE WAY" with JESUS. This beautiful expression gives to each a double relationship: one with our blessed Lord, the chief Shepherd and Bishop of the Church; and second, the glorious company of the saints who journey together through life, doing His will both in and through His Church.

In the Church of our day, the term "SYNOD" has come to be understood as the association of Christians in a group of congregations in a particular area, who are banded together to follow in "THE WAY" with Christ to accomplish that which He commanded and committed unto those who believe in Him.

As we study the history and development of the early Christian Church, that which we seek to understand as "THE SYNOD" was used in sacred scripture to mean THE CHURCH. As an example, we might suggest the Church at ROME. This was not a single congregation, as we think of the organization of a congregation, but an association of congregations located geographically in the area of Rome. In a similar manner, the other Churches of the early centuries of Christianity might be described.

When one begins to appreciate this meaning of the term used in the Church, "THE SYNOD," one can readily understand the affection that develops for its use for here are those who have been called together by the Holy Spirit and who, under the constraining influence of Christ's love, are associated together as they journey through life along "THE WAY" with JESUS, their Lord.

Of course, the Church has always had to fight against the powers of wickedness and these forces of the Devil always seek to confuse the believer that "THE SYNOD" is some individual human or group, when we must always remember that "THE SYNOD" is the glorious company of the saints who are walking in "THE WAY" with JESUS. If any individual is to be seen when speaking or thinking of "THE SYNOD" that Individual Person must always be JESUS, for He is "THE WAY."

As we look through sacred scripture, we learn much of that which was done within the Church, which might be characterized by the Word that has thus been brought to us through centuries of service in the Kingdom and find some practical illustrations of that for which "THE SYNOD" itself stands.

Primary among the items for which we might list the meaning of "SYNOD" is the **fellowship of the faith in Christ Jesus as Lord and Seviour.** Thus, we must always understand that we are the **fellowship of faith** and that when we belong to "THE SYNOD" it is our confession of that fellowship of faith in Christ.

Second, our confession of the fellowship of faith must not be merely lip service but must enter into every activity of that which was given to His people to perform as His Church.

A. To see that things are done decently and in order.

B. For examination of the faith of the Church and those who serve in the Church.

C. For the ordination of those who are called and set aside for the Gospel Ministry.

D. For general oversight in Christian love and understanding of the pastors and congregations.

E. As instructed by the Lord and Saviour, the chief Bishop of the Church, the gathering of funds for the Benevolent causes of the Church, and the distribution and administration of these funds as directed by the Synod in Convention.

F. To be of service in every manner and means of doing the work of the Kingdom through:
   (1) Evangelism
   (2) Planting the Church
   (3) Stewardship
   (4) Works of Mercy
   (5) Christian Education
   (6) Declaration concerning the Faith and Life of the Church.

G. Finally, in this brief statement: to permit the Holy Spirit to call us together and to lead us while we are in "THE WAY" with Him to know through His Word that He speaks to His Church and through His Church and to be ready and willing at heart to do everything within our power to implement that which is given to us to bring His will to pass and His Kingdom to come, as we walk with Him in "THE WAY" journeying together in the Godly fellowship.

This, then, is our beloved SYNOD, and we pray that we, The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, shall always remain faithful and shall always be found in the goodly company of that fellowship of faith as we walk on the journey with our Lord.

In previous Reports of the President of Synod, he made many recommendations to Synod. He has asked that these recommendations come to this Convention, through the Executive Committee of Synod and thus they are not found in this Report. As these materials are brought before the Convention, we pray that the delegates in Convention will understand the vital needs of this vast missionary territory and will be able to see the souls that are unchurched — the children who are untaught — the vast work that is to be done — that courage will be taken and that we shall go forward in faith to a greater and happier day under God.

During the last Convention of Synod, The Rev. H. Paul Romeis was installed as the Assistant to the President of Synod and during such time as was available for him to serve in this capacity, he has helped the President of Synod in many ways, but especially in caring for many of the official acts of the President of Synod. Thus, he expresses his gratitude to Pastor Romeis for this fine Christian cooperation and at the same time, presents a record of the official acts of the President of Synod's office.

OFFICIAL ACTS

The following official acts have taken place since the Convention of Synod:

CALLS:

December 16, 1951	The Rev. G. T. Olson, Faith, Fresno
February 10	The Rev. E. Paul Barnhart, Calvary, Azusa
March 16	The Rev. Kenneth C. Senft, Messiah, Redwood City
March 30	The Rev. Howard A. Anspach, St. Mark's, Los Angeles
	The Rev. George K. Attwood, St. Mark's, San Francisco, Assistant
April 20	The Rev. Carl H. Moyer, Trinity, Pasadena
April 27	The Rev. William W. Klover, St. Paul's, Santa Monica
May 25	The Rev. W. Morgan Edwards, First, Sacramento
August 3	The Rev. Walter E. Sabins, St. James', Richmond

August 10	The Rev. Kenneth E. Linton, St. James', Central Valley, Redding, United Parish
September 14	The Rev. Clifford B. Holand, Transfiguration, Los Angeles
September 28	The Rev. Jack W. Glidewell, St. Paul's, Globe, Arizona
October 5	The Rev. Walter R. Keim, Mt. Zion, Yreka

DEDICATIONS:

March 30	Our Saviour's, Alhambra
April 6	Bethany, San Jose
May 25	Infirmary — Home for Aged
August 3	St. Andrew's, Van Nuys
August 31	Transfiguration, Los Angeles (Educational Unit)
October 5	Ascension, Baldwin Park
November 23	United Ev. Lutheran Church, Redding, (Parsonage)
December 7	Good Shepherd Ev. Lutheran Church, Reno, Nevada
December 7	Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church, Pomona
December 14	Grace Ev. Lutheran Church, Richmond
December 21	Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, San Diego (Parsonage)
December 28	Ev. Lutheran Church in the Foothills, La Canada (Eudcational Unit)

DISMISSALS:

April 17	The Rev. R. Bertram Reed, Pacific Synod
August 31	The Rev. J. Emory Ackerman, Midland College
December 15	The Rev. H. Edward Hamme, Pacific Synod

INSTALLATIONS:

February 10	The Rev. John B. Nield, Ph.D., Redeemer, El Monte
February 17	The Rev. Raymond Nichel, United, Santa Ana
March 9	The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, First, Fresno
March 9	The Rev. Goodwin T. Olson, Faith, Fresno
April 20	The Rev. George R. Flora, Bethany, San Jose
May 4	The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Ass't to President of Synod
May 25	The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D., Home for the Aged
July 20	The Rev. George K. Attwood, St. Mark's, San Francisco, Assistant
July 20	The Rev. E. Paul Barnhart, Calvary, Azusa
July 27	The Rev. William W. Klover, D.D., St. Paul's, Santa Monica
August 17	The Rev. Carl H. Moyer, Trinity, Pasadena
August 24	The Rev. Walter Sabins, St. James', Richmond
September 7	The Rev. Kenneth C. Senft, Messiah, Redwood City
September 14	The Rev. Morgan Edwards, First, Sacramento
October 17	The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., Pacific Lutheran Seminary
November 14	The Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D., St. Mark's, Los Angeles
November 16	The Rev. Walter R. Keim, Mt. Zion, Yreka
November 23	The Rev. Kenneth E. Linton, United, Redding and St. James' Central Valley
December 14	The Rev. Clifford B. Holand, Transfiguration, Los Angeles

ORDINATIONS:

June 1	The Rev. Stanley E. Olson, Faith, Phoenix
June 8	The Rev. E. Paul Barnhart, First, San Bernardino
June 8	The Rev. Kenneth C. Senft, First, San Bernardino
June 8	The Rev. George E. Steffens, First, San Bernardino
September 21	The Rev. James A. Youngquist, First, Glendale
October 5	The Rev. Neale O. Jenson, North Hollywood
November 16	The Rev. Walter R. Keim, Mt. Zion, Yreka

ORGANIZATIONS:

April 13	Peace Lutheran Church (Latvian) Los Angeles
September 7	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Long Beach
September 14	Shepherd-of-the-Hills, Berkeley
December 14	Mount of Olives Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona

RESIGNATIONS:

February 10	The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, First, Sacramento
April 20	The Rev. R. Bertram Reed, Hollywood
May 31	The Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D., Calvary, Azusa
June 1	The Rev. George K. Attwood, United & St. James', Redding
July 31	The Rev. Carl H. Moyer, St. James', Richmond
August 31	The Rev. Dwight L. Miley, First, San Francisco
August 31	The Rev. J. Emory Ackerman, Transfiguration, Los Angeles Angeles
September 8	The Rev. Kenneth E. Linton, Mt. Zion, Yreka
December 15	The Rev. H. Edward Hamme, Lutheran Church of Honolulu

As I close, I see the great tomorrow of this Synod, and I sincerely pray that we will march in faith confidently into that tomorrow with our hands in the hands of Christ — cost what it may.

Respectfully and sincerely submitted,
JAMES PRINCE BEASOM, JR.

The motion was made and seconded that the Report be referred to the Committee on the President's Report for study and recommendation.

The Motion prevailed that Dr. G. Elson Ruff, representative of The United Lutheran Church in America be granted the privilege of the floor.

The Motion prevailed that the Report of the Director of Church Extension be adopted. Pastor Spirer was presented to the Convention and appreciation for his work was expressed by a rising vote.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION

By the grace of the Lord, your Division of Church Extension has been permitted to labor on eleven churches in 1952 as follows: Our Saviour's, Alhambra; Rest Cottage, California Lutheran Home for the Aged, Alhambra; Transfiguration, Los Angeles; St. Paul's, Globe, Arizona; Trinity, Manhattan Beach; Trinity, Pomona; Good Shepherd, Reno, Nevada; Grace, Richmond; Bethany, San Jose; and Trinity, Alameda; St. John's, Norwalk of the Augustana Synod. The cooperation of congregations and Pastors has been splendid. More than $250,000 has been handled in the execution of this work. In the course of this work, the Director was required to travel approximately 95,000 miles by air; 9,000 by bus and street car, and 7,000 by auto.

While thousands of dollars were saved the Church at large by the function of this Division, it is the earnest hope of this Department that it has made itself felt in a spiritual way. It is our purpose to lead each congregation we enter to give witness in the Community that they are a family of God, building Him a place of worship. Your Director has tried to leave no other impression and prays that God may forgive him in his failure to reach men with the message of consecration of self and service.

Sand and rock no matter how fitly put together will not truly erect "an House unto the Lord" and all of us are aware that "except the Lord builds, they labor in vain that build it."

Under our present program of operation, due to the necessity of practicing rigid economy, it requires a longer time to complete the work than under a sublet to an outside builder. However, we feel the saving warrants the delay in occupancy. While in the California area it is possible for our Churches to be constructed under an outside program, we are satisfied none of the out of state Churches could have been built without this Division's service.

The Church Extension Division is grateful for the privilege of serving the Church and will feel amply repaid as these new edifices render greater services to the Lord whom we mutually love and serve.

Under God we have endeavored to do our best and trust we have been faithful in the discharge of our stewardship.

Respectfully submitted:
THE REV. EDWARD N. SPIRER, D.D.

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash in bank	$ 8,168.80	
Imprest cash	1,100.00	
Accounts receivable	21,234.65	
Inventory	2,813.66	$33,317.11
Fixed Assets		
Automotive equipment	4,725.74	
Construction equipment	2,160.20	
Furniture and equipment	754.01	
	7,639.95	
Less reserve for depreciation	2,141.20	5,498.75
Prepaid Insurance		393.00
		$39,208.86

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Note payable	$10,000.00	
Account payable	474.80	
Payroll and withholding taxes	1,169.27	
Deposit accounts—construction	9,111.72	$20,758.79
Net Worth		
Balance—January 1, 1952	12,293.78	
Net income for the year	6,156.29	18,450.07
		$39,208.86

Church Extension Division
Statement of Income and Expense
Year ended December 31, 1952

Income		
Church Extension Receipts		$33,454.68
Expenses		
Accounting	$ 825.00	
Auto and truck expenses	1,562.44	
F.I.C.A. employer's share	648.54	
Insurance	846.94	
Office expenses	1,203.85	
Pension fund contributions	212.00	
Repair	121.73	
Salaries—office staff	2,058.00	
Salary—Director	5,600.00	
Supplies	423.12	
Telephone	528.42	
Travel	4,118.42	
Utilities	240.00	
Janitor service	195.00	
Depreciation expense	2,141.20	
El Camino Real	1,499.92	
Miscellaneous	1,187.20	
Allowances on Construction	3,886.61	
Total expenses		27,298.39
Net Income		$ 6,156.29

Construction Costs processed during the year 1952

	In Process Jan. 1, 1952	Costs paid in 1952	Reimbursements	In Process Dec. 31, 1952
Home for Aged—Alhambra	$ 2,147.74	$ 9,256.24	$ 11,403.98	.....
Infirmary—Alhambra	.....	409.88	409.88	.....
Our Saviour's—Alhambra	3,388.54	3,222.21	6,610.75	.....
Trinity—Alameda	.....	11,819.88	11,819.88	.....
Ascension—Baldwin Park	325.02	.....	325.02	.....
St. Paul's—Globe	.....	18,361.22	18,361.22	.....
Transfiguration—Los Angeles	57.00	16,591.47	16,648.47	.....
Trinity—Manhattan Beach	851.33	3,464.49	4,315.82	.....
St. John's—Norwalk	.....	7,965.96	7,965.96	.....
Trinity—Pomona	.....	19,094.96	19,094.96	.....
First—Redlands	365.93	.....	365.93	.....
Good Shepherd—Reno	1,500.00	39,862.05	41,362.05	.....
Grace—Richmond	.....	88,946.02	88,946.02	.....
Bethany—San Jose	2,869.91	12,922.86	15,792.77	.....
Our Saviour's—Tucson	15.13	.....	15.13	.....
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	.....	2,468.52	2,468.52	.....
	$11,520.60	$234,385.76	$245.906.36	.....

The Report of the Necrologist was adopted.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

In His infinite wisdom and mercy God has seen fit to call into His rest a number of our beloved co-workers in the church. "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28. We record briefly the life history of several of them, as follows:

REV. OTTO BECKER

The Rev. Otto Becker, retired, passed to his eternal home August 24, last. He was 76. Born in Hannover, Germany, in 1876, he was educated in Hildesheim College and Goettingen University. He came to America in 1910, was ordained by the then Joint Synod of Ohio in 1912 and served pastorates in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba provinces in Canada, and in the United States at Bathgate, N. D., and Sanger, California. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ida Bergmann Becker, and a foster daughter. The funeral service was conducted in Bethany Church, Los Angeles, his pastor, Dr. Henry Irving Kohler, officiating.

REV. CHARLES W. MAGGART, D.D.

Charles W. Maggart was born in Cromwell, Ind., July 4, 1862. After receiving his elementary education in the Cromwell grade and high school, he took a short course in Teachers College, Columbia, Ind., then taught for two years. Called to the ministry, he entered Wittenberg College in 1880, graduating in 1884, and from the seminary there in '87. With his bride, Mary Miller, daughter of a United Brethren minister, he went to his first parish at North Manchester, Ind., then became a home missionary in Oberlin, Kans., where he finished the erection of a church, and built a new church in nearby Norcatur. Called to Salina, Kans., he remained but a short time, resigning to come to San Diego upon call of the Home Mission Board. Here he led the people in the building of the present edifice of First Lutheran Church, dedicated in 1894. His next pastorate was in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he served for nineteen years, and built a new church. He next served again at Oberlin and Topeka, Kans., and St. Louis, Mo. Coming to California he was called to the pastorate of St. Mark's, Los Angeles, January 1, 1926 and served until 1929 when failing sight necessitated his retirement from the active ministry. He died Nov. 5, 1952, aged 90. Rev. L. A. Harshman conducted the burial service, and President Beasom delivered a short eulogy to Dr. Maggart as a pioneer Pastor of synod. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

REV. RICHARD WARREN MOTTERN, Litt.D.

Dr. Richard Warren Mottern, pastor emeritus of First Lutheran Church, Glendale, departed this life on Christmas Day, 1952, aged 83. One of eleven children, Dr. Mot-

tern was born in Danville, Pa. At the age of 10 he began work in the coal mines at 40 cents a day. At 12 he was a mule driver on a Pennsylvania Canal, and later was a clerk in a grocery and hardware store. He did his college work at Susquehanna University and Gettysburg College, and was graduated from Gettysburg Seminary with an A.M. degree, and later was awarded A.B. and Litt.D. degrees from Gettysburg. He served churches at Holly Springs, Salona, Punxsuatawney and Williamstown, Pa., before coming to be pastor of Trinity Church, Riverside, in 1909. In 1915 Dr. Mottern was called to be missionary pastor of the small and struggling congregation in Glendale, which worshipped in the Odd Fellows Hall and later in the Seventh Day Adventist Church, until a small church structure was erected. Dr. Mottern resigned in 1920, and later served for 10 years as a member of the Los Angeles County Civil Service Commission. He is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth Mottern, and a son, Jerry, and one grandson. Funeral rites were held in the Glendale Church, President Beasom and Pastor Carl Tambert, officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills.

MARTHA A. NOEL

Martha A. Klove was born at Leland, Ill., Aug. 10, 1871. In 1895 she was united in marriage to Fritz C. Noel, publisher of a newspaper in Leland. Life long Lutherans, when they came to California in 1911, they at once became active members of St. Mark's, Los Angeles, later moving to Santa Monica and then Glendale, where Mrs. Noel was a faithful and active member alongside her husband, a lay leader in synod, as she was in the synodical and local missionary societies, and in many congregational activities. Besides her husband, Mrs. Noel, who passed away Oct. 3, '52, is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Myra Nielsen, Mrs. Gladys Zimmerman, and one son, Frederick A. Noel, and several grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Burial rites were conducted from First Church, Glendale, Dr. James P. Beasom and Pastor Carl V. Tambert, officiating. Interment was in Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD A. ANSPACH

The report of the Historian was adopted.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

The story of the continued progress of the congregations and organizations of Synod has been assembled as well as a number of appropriate charts and engravings vividly portraying the unparalleled progress since 1941. They all await the pleasure of Synod to be put in permanent printed form.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN EDWARD HOICK

The report of the Archivist was adopted.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The Archives of Synod repose safely in a metal filing cabinet in the Synodical headquarters, and from time to time have been augmented with important papers and documents.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN EDWARD HOICK

The Rev. Henry Scherer presented the report of the Statistician.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

This is my ninth annual report to you. These have been years in which God has blessed our Synod richly. We give Him all the glory and pray that He will still go before and follow after us, that all our growth that may be indicated outwardly will remain and continue to be a mere outward indication that we are growing in our souls—that men and women, boys and girls, are being won and held for the Kingdom of God.

Report forms did not reach my desk until January 8 from New York, and were in the mail to you that same day. Despite their tardiness, you were almost uniformly prompt and gracious. Some men even sent reports in advance on personally prepared forms to speed my task. For your graciousness, my thanks.

For the first time in my life, I report some congregations with no report: Honolulu, Honolulu; Honolulu, Pearl Harbor; Lihue, Lihue; San Francisco, First English.

Churches and pastors reporting most promptly include (from congregations with over 300 communicants): 1. Los Angeles, First English; Albert B. Schwertz; 2. San Diego, First; Erwin A. Vosseler; 3. San Francisco, St. Mark's; J. George Dorn. (From congregations under 300 communicants): 1. Fresno, Wartburg; John C. Bitter. AND TIED FOR SECOND were a lucky thirteen: Fresno, Faith; Goodwin T. Olson; Garden, St. John's; Robert C. Wheatley, Sr.; Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's; Jack W. Glidewell; Honolulu, St. Paul's.... Franklin A. Swanson; Long Beach, Gloria Dei; R. Waldo Hansen; Los Angeles, Bethany; Henry I. Kohler; Los Angeles, Peace; Oscar Kleinbergs; Norco, Bethany; Bruno Ederma; Redlands, First; John D. Foerster; San Francisco, Temple; Eldon R. Miller; San Jose, Grace, Clarence F. Crouser; Vallejo, Glen O. Balsley; Yreka, Mt. Zion; Walter R. Keim.

It has been another difficult year for the downtown church in the metropolitan community, as a study of the reports will show. Two indications of healthy intensive growth, to match our outward expansion: average giving per confirmed member, increase from $52.87 to $62.51; number of confirmed members communing grew from 70.76 per cent to 72.96 per cent.

There is only one right way to fill out a parochial report blank; on your knees before God; not at your desk, mumbling at the statistician. Our annual report is a time to take inventory of ourself and our people; to give an account to God for every one of the precious souls over which He has put us in charge. Deserve the high honor of the title "Pastor," use report time as a time to plan a better job of spiritual care for your people.

Your servant in Christ,
HENRY SCHERER

The report was adopted.

SOME COMPARISONS

As of December 31, 1952

1942		1952
9,487	Baptized Members	38,100
6,654	Confirmed Members	24,594
4,091	Communing Members	17,943
38	Congregations	83
287	Catechumens	2,518
2,924	Sunday School Scholars	14,492
$ 12,291	Apportionment Paid	$ 166,316
$156,339	Total Expenditures	$1,537,523
$108,785	Indebtedness	$1,506,178
$650,459	Property Value (Congregations only)	$6,417,652

CALIFORNIA SYNOD GROWTH

Year	Commun. Member	Member Gain	(%)	Rank in ULCA	Apportmt. Paid	Rank in ULCA
1952	17,943	983	5.81		166,316	
1951	16,960	1,177	7.46	15	141,995	12
1950	15,783	1,264	8.71	16	116,068	13
1949	14,519	1,083	8.06	15	106,565	10
1948	13,436	861	6.85	15 (tie)	100,307	13
1947	12,575	1,800	16.80	18	58,637	14

Year	No. of Churches	Rank in ULCA	S.S. Pupils	Property Value	Total Expends.	Rank in ULCA
1952	83		14,492	6,417,652	1,537,523	
1951	79	16	13,013	5,555,885	1,266,779	13
1950	72	17	11,925	4,649,978	1,139,078	12
1949	66	16	9,683	4,164,863	1,077,984	12
1948	61	16	8,346	3,803,306	941,696	11
1947	59	16	7,751	2,923,529	759,155	10

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Executive Committee be held over until the afternoon session after the reception of pastors and congregations into the Synod.

The ballots for the officers of Synod and representatives on Boards were distributed. It was announced that the name of The Rev. H. A. Anspach was omitted from the list of Incumbents on the Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

Motion prevailed that the printed ballot be accepted and distributed for voting.

Motion prevailed that the electee receiving the highest number of ballots be elected for the longest term in each case where necessary.

Motion prevailed that the session be recessed for the separate meetings of the Ministerium and the Laymen and the meetings of the Conferences.

Following the meetings of the Conferences a Hawaiian Luncheon was held in the Social Hall of the Church.

In a brief business session, the Report of the Ministerium was presented by the Secretary.

THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERIUM

The Ministerium of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California met in Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Richmond, California, January 27, 1953.

The motion prevailed that the following resolution be adopted:

,"Due to the fact that the Convention of Synod is held early in the year and Seminary graduates are not available until the Spring of the year, it is recommended by the Executive Committee of the Ministerium for recommendation to the Synod in Convention, that the President of Synod be authorized to ordain Seminary graduates of Seminaries of The United Lutheran Church in America, after examination and recommendation by the Examining Committee and approval by the Executive Committee.

The Examining Committee presented the following report:

The Examining Committee has held several meetings since the last Convention of Synod. It interviewed the following candidates for Ordination and recommended them to the Synod for Ordination:

Neale O. Jenson
Stanley E. Olson
George E. Steffens
E. Paul Barnhart
Kenneth C. Senft
Walter R. Keim
James A. Youngquist

The Committee now reccomends their acceptance by Synod:

The following pastors applied for admission to Synod by letter of transfer from constituent Synods of The United Lutheran Church in America, were interviewed by the Committee and by the necessary vote of the Committee are recommended for acceptance:

1. William Wasser Stremel, transferred by the Pittsburgh Synod, now serving the mission congregation at Concord, Calif.
2. Charles Berend Foelsch, transferred by the Synod of New York, now serving as President of The Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.
3. Walter Edward Sabins, transferred by the Wartburg Synod, now serving at St. James' Lutheran Church, Richmond, Calif.
4. William Morgan Edwards, transferred by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, now serving at First English Lutheran Church, Sacramento, Calif.
5. William W. Klover, transferred by the Synod of Kansas, now serving at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Santa Monica, Calif.
6. Edward Wallner, transferred from the Synod of Pittsburgh, to serve for the National Lutheran Council in Jewish Mission Work.
7. Charles Endter, transferred from the Synod of Ohio, serving the mission congregation at Santa Cruz, Calif.

Respectfully submitted,
ERWIN A. VOSSELER, Chairman
WALTER RUCCIUS, Sec. pro. temp.

Motion prevailed that The Rev. Edward Wallner be received subject to his appearing before the Examining Committee.

Motion prevailed that The Rev. Charles Endter be received subject to his appearing before the Examining Committee.

Motion prevailed that all others listed in the Report be accepted.

Motion prevailed that the Examining Committee Report as a whole be adopted.

Motion prevailed that a get well card be distributed for signatures and sent to The Rev. H. C. Lindsay, who is ill.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by The Rev. Howard A. Anspach.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

The report of the Ministerium was adopted.

Motion prevailed that the following be received into the membership of the Synod:

Neale O. Jenson
Stanley E. Olson
George E. Steffens
E. Paul Barnhart
Walter R. Keim
Kenneth C. Senft
James A. Youngquist
William W. Stremel
Charles B. Foelsch
Walter E. Sabins
William M. Edwards
William W. Klover
Edward Wallner
Charles Endter

The Rev. Franklin Swanson, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the Kaimuki Section of Honolulu, spoke to the Convention on the Church's Mission in Hawaii.

The session was closed with prayer.

THIRD SESSION

January 27, 1953 — 2:15 p.m.

The third session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "We Confess Unto Thee."

The motion prevailed that the minutes of the second session be approved as mimeographed and distributed.

The Secretary announced that 89 Pastors and 55 lay delegates were present.

The President of Synod appointed The Rev. Quentin P. Garman to replace The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D., on the Committee on The President's Report, and The Rev. Louis F. Mertz to act as Chairman of the Committee on Letters and Papers, replacing The Rev. Erwin A. Vosseler.

The Secretary of Synod presented the Report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, in fulfilling its constitutionally assigned functions, held three regular meetings, and one special meeting since the last Convention of Synod. In addition to overseeing the mission development and regular work of the Synod, your Executive Committee this year also was active in promoting the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal.

In seeking a solution to a problem concerning the construction at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, San Mateo, your Executive Committee made a grant of $750 to the congregation, and recommended that they secure a construction loan from the Board of American Missions for an amount not to exceed $3000.

Your Committee made an additional grant of $500 to the Lutheran Student Foundation of Northern California.

Approved the trading of the Plymouth sedan owned by the Department of Church Extension for the station wagon owned by the Home for the Aged.

Approved the following resolution regarding relationships of the Synod with Inter-Synodical Bodies:

"No Inter-Synodical or other Church Body shall be permitted to place a quota either upon the Synod of California or upon its congregations without first receiving the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod or receive favorable action by the Church, the Synod in Convention." It shall be understood by the above action that this does not prohibit such groups as have been approved by the Synod of California in making direct appeals to congreations of Synod for either contributions or to be placed on the budget.

Approved the following "Procedures in the Recognition of Inter-Synodical Bodies on the Part of the Synod."

In order to clarify the situation regarding constitutions that are brought before the Executive Committee for approval, it might be well for us to list the following procedures:

1. Groups or pastors seeking the approval of constitutions of bodies, either inter-Synodical or non-Synodical, of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California should have presented two copies of the constitution to the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California. These copies shall be sent, one to the President and one to the Chairman of the Committee on Constitutions of the Executive Committee.

2. Upon the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Constitutions of the Executive Committee, the constitution shall be presented to the Executive Committee for its approval and recommendation to the Synod in Convention.

3. Prior to the presentation of the constitution to the Convention, it would be well for the constitution to be presented to the Chairman of the Committee on Inter-Synodical Relationships of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church for his consultation and recommendations.

4. Upon the approval of the constitution by the Convention, the action should be taken that The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California in convention approves the constitution subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Thus, the Executive Committee should immediately transmit the constitution to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, along with the action of the Convention and the Executive Committee.

5. Upon the approval of all Bodies: (A) The Executive Committee; (B) Chairman of the Committee on Constitutions of the Executive Committee; (C) The Executive Committee; (D) The Convention of Synod; (E) The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, then the Executive Committee shall declare the Body in relationship to The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California as provided for in the constitution and carry out such actions as may be determined by the Convention or the Executive Board, to make the Synod conform to these actions.

(Prior to the approval of any constitution of any body, other than the constitution of Synod, the Executive Committee should determine what responsibility and what financial relationship The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California will have by the acceptance or approval of the constitution so that it shall not be bound by any action that it cannot fulfill.)

(Provision should also be made that the Body to which approval of the constitution is being given shall transmit to the Executive Committee of Synod annually a report for the Convention of Synod as well as a copy of its budget for the coming year.)

Authorized the President's office to prepare the illustrated pamphlet "El Camino Real" for distribution to the delegates at the ULCA Convention in Seattle, and to the membership of our own Synod.

Authorized the President's office to charter a bus or make other arrangements to provide transportation for the pastors of Synod to attend the ULCA Convention in Seattle.

Authorized the Board of Directors of the Home for the Aged to secure a loan for $75,000 for the erection of a dormitory, and made arrangements with the Executive Director of the Home for the Aged that they be permitted to bring their plans and needs to the congregations of Synod throughout the year, but that a direct appeal for funds be made each year only during the month of November.

In accordance with the action of the 1951 Convention of Synod your Committee granted a leave of absence to the President of Synod for three months following this convention and recommends to the Synod that he be given a grant of $4000 to enable him to make the trip abroad as formerly voted by the Synod.

Requested the Board of Directors of each agency affiliated with the California Synod and receiving support from the Synod to have a representative make a written report of the accounts and finances of the organization and present it to the Executive Committee, and further, that the Synod office be notified of every official meeting of the agency, and mailed a copy of the minutes following the meeting.

Gave tentative approval to the Constitution of the Northern California-Western Nevada Council of Churches, and submitted it to the Committee on Constitutions of the ULCA for their approval, and took action to enter into a consultative relationship with the said Council of Churches until the Constitution has been approved by the ULCA Committee, and finally accepted by the Executive Committee of Synod.

Made an additional grant of $300 to the Church Films Library.

Took action to increase to 8% the pension payments of synodically employed pastors, and urged all congregations and Boards of the Synod to take the same action for the year 1953.

Approved the sale of the lot in Richmond purchased originally for use by St. James' Lutheran Church.

Made an appropriation of $1,000 to the Camp Committee to cover the 1952 deficit in operation of the camp. Gave authorization to the Camp Committee to continue at the old camp site in the year 1953, and gave instruction to the Committee to continue immediately in the development of the new site.

Authorized the President and Secretary of Synod to continue to secure short term loans in an amount not to exceed $50,000 to be used in the purchase of mission property on a short term basis until long term loans can be secured from the Board of American Missions.

Appointed the following committee to carry out the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation Appeal campaign: The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Chairman; Mr. Leo Johnston, Mr. Carl Bell, Mr. Luther Vestergard.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Executive Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That the following congregations be received into the membership of Synod:

Shepherd-of-the-Hills Evangelical Lutheran Church of Berkeley, California.
Mount of Olives Evangelical Lutheran Church of East Phoenix, Arizona.
Gloria Dei Evangelical Lutheran Church (Naples) Long Beach, California.

2. That the Synod adopt one of the two budgets submitted.

3. That the Synod adopt the Conctitution approved by the Executive Committee as the official constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California; subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

4. That the Synod approve the Constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

5. That the Executive Committee be authorized to explore the feasibility of providing for our pastors and the pastors of the Pacific Synod a "Seminary Week" for inspiration, instruction, and fellowship.

Item 1 was adopted and the pastors and lay representatives of the three congregations were presented to the Synod. The congregations were officially welcomed into the Synod. The President of Synod welcomed the new pastors and presented them to the Synod.

Seminarian Edward Andersen, who is organizing a mission at Orinda and Sem-

inarian John Steinhaus, who organized the Shepherd-of-the-Hills congregation, were presented to the Convention.

Motion prevailed that action on recommendation 2 be deferred until the item on the Constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation had been voted upon.

The motion prevailed that the Constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation be adopted with the amendments recommended by the Constitutions Committee, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

CONSTITUTION OF THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

ARTICLE I—The Corporation

Section I—The Name

The name and title of this corporation shall be: The Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

Section II—Its Purpose

1. To establish and continue a suitable organization for the purpose of encouragement, development and training of religious leadership, for the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California and its constituent member congregations.
2. In connection therewith to establish and maintain suitable facilities such as a camp or camps or other meeting, recreational programs and training facilities and to establish and conduct training programs and sessions for the purpose of encouraging and developing, training and augmenting religious leadership.
   And, in connection with any of the above activities to acquire, receive and hold real and personal property of any kind and character whatsoever by gift, endowment, devise, legacy, bequest or purchase and to perform any and all acts necessary to realize said gifts, endowments, devises, legacies and bequests and to make them available to the corporation.
3. To take charge of and manage all the property of the corporation and the affairs and temporalities thereof.
4. Its aim shall be: To discover leadership, to train leadership, and to link that leadership to the church.

Section III—Place

1. It shall operate at any place on the territory of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.
2. The County in this State where the principal office for the transaction of the business of the corporation is to be located is the County of Los Angeles, California.

ARTICLE II—Meetings

1. An annual meeting shall be held each year in December.
2. Special meetings shall be called at the request of the Executive Committee of the Corporation, or upon the written request of three or more members of the Board of Directors. They shall be called by the President and shall have the purpose of the meeting stated in the call.
3. A majority of the members of the Board shall be considered a quorum.

ARTICLE III—Membership

1. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of this corporation, the different classes of membership, if any; the property, voting and other rights and privileges of each class of members, shall be such as are set forth in the Constitution and By-Laws of this corporation as duly adopted, and in any amendments thereto.

ARTICLE IV—Board of Directors

1. The number of members on the Board of Directors of this corporation shall be twelve. This number may be changed at any time through the procedures indi

cated for changing or amending this constitution and by-laws.

2. Nine members of the Board shall be elected by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.
3. The Board of Directors shall have the privilege of electing at its annual meeting, and for one year terms, three additional members.
4. Vacancies occurring within the terms of the nine members elected by The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California shall be filled by ad-interim appointments by the Executive Committee of Synod. Vacancies occurring within the terms of the three members elected by the Board of Directors shall be filled with ad-interim appointments of the Executive Committee of the Board.
5. The President of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California shall be ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V—Officers

1. The officers of this corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers shall be the trustees.
2. Officers shall serve for one year. They shall be elected at the annual meeting of the corporation and shall take office on January 1 of the following year. They shall be eligible for reelection.
3. Vacancies occurring among the officers of the corporation shall be filled at the first meeting of the Executive Committee of the corporation, following the vacancy for all offices except that of President. A vacancy occurring in the Presidency shall be filled at a specially called meeting of the Board within sixty days of its occurrence.
4. The duties of these officers shall be such as usually pertain to their offices and as otherwise provided in the by-laws.
5. For administrative purposes this Corporation may provide for other officers, additional to those for whom provision is made herein, conditional to approval from the Executive Committee of Synod.

ARTICLE VI—Executive Committee

1. There shall be an executive committee composed of the officers of the corporation, and one member elected by the Board itself.
2. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to represent the corporation and to carry out its resolutions; to conduct the business of the corporation and administer its affairs in accordance with its constitution.

ARTICLE VII—Duties and Powers

1. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to plan, promote, conduct and maintain an extensive program of Leadership Training throughout Synod.
2. In cooperation with the Executive Committee of Synod, it shall establish such leadership programs and training courses, as well as a camp or camps, as may be deemed necessary.
3. It shall have the power to employ such part or full-time workers as meet the approval of the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, and to include in its budget such sums as may be necessary for this purpose.

ARTICLE VIII—Residual

1. In the event that this corporation should be dissolved, all assets, real or personal, shall automatically revert to and become the property of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

ARTICLE IX—Amendments

1. This constitution and its by-laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any special meeting called for that purpose. Written notice of such a meeting, together with a copy of the proposed change, shall be mailed to all members of the Board by registered mail not less than 30 days in advance of the date for which the meeting is called.
2. Proposed changes in this constitution and by-laws may be voted upon only after such change has been studied and approved by the Executive Committee of Synod.

3. There shall be nothing in this Constitution or By-Laws which shall be in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.

Motion was made and seconded that Budget A be adopted as the official Budget of the Synod.

The motion prevailed that we defer action on Budget A until after the consideration of the recommendation in the Report of the Faith and Life Committee concerning a youth worker.

The motion prevailed that the Executive Committee and the Committee on Reference and Counsel be asked to restudy the order of business for the remainder of the Convention and bring recommendations to the Convention.

Motion prevailed that the Convention recess for five minutes.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D, presented the second in a series of Knubel-Miller Lectures on the theme "The Totalitarian Church."

Chaplain Irwin T. May, stationed at San Francisco port of embarkation as Port Chaplain, was welcomed to the Convention.

Motion prevailed for a special order of business.

The Secretary of the Synod presented the following recommendations from the Executive Committee:

RULES GOVERNING PAYMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES OF DELEGATES

1. **Travel by train:**
   (a) Laymen: Regular round-trip railroad fare.
   (b) Clergymen: Regular round-trip railroad fare at clergy rates.
   (c) Pullman fare: Standard rates for both laymen and clergymen where overnight travel is necessary. Pullman fare allowed will not exceed the cost of lower berth.
2. **Travel by bus:**
   (a) Laymen: Regular round-trip bus fare.
   (b) Clergymen: Regular round-trip bus fare.
3. **Travel by automobile:**
   (a) Laymen and Clergymen:
   An allowance will be made for automobile travel equal to a laymen's regular round-trip railroad fare plus pullman fare, or 7 cents per mile, whichever is the lesser amount.
   (b) Where two or more persons, whose travel expenses are to be allowed by the Synod, travel in the same automobile, the allowance of 7 cents per mile will be granted to only one person.
4. **Travel by plane:**
   (a) Laymen and Clergymen:
   An allowance will be made for airplane travel equal to a laymen's regular round-trip railroad fare plus pullman fare, or the airplane fare, whichever is the lesser amount.

The motion prevailed that the recommendations be adopted.

The session was closed with prayer by the Chaplain of Synod.

FOURTH SESSION

January 28, 1953 — 9:00 a. m.

The fourth session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "We Thank Thee."

The following were introduced to the Convention and welcomed:

The Rev. Paul Dieckman, President of Midland College.

The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Director of the Pacific Luthern Theological Seminary Appeal and newly appointed Secretary of Wagner College.

The Rev. William E. Wallner. Regional Director for the Christian Approach to the Jews of the National Lutheran Council

The Rev. Frederick A Smith, Director of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Southern California.

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the previous session be approved as mimeographed and distributed.

The President of Synod announced the following order of business for the morning session:

Report of the Committee on Youth Camping.

Consideration of recommendation No. 1 in the Report of the Committee on Faith and Life.

Consideration of the Budget for 1953.

The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, Chairman of the Committee on Youth Camping presented the members of his Committee.

The Rev. Quentin P. Garman presented a brief history of camping in the California Synod. The Rev. David E. Robison gave a report on the work of the past year. The Rev. John Foerster, Director of the Camp, outlined the purposes of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation:

1. To discover leadership.
2. To train leadership.
3. To link youth to the Church.

The Rev. James P. Beasom, President of the Synod, spoke on the need of a Camp program for enlisting youth in full time service in the Church.

The Rev. H. Paul Romeis explained a program of promotion for the coming year, consisting of an Evangelism Crusade, the distribution of coin folders for use during the seven weeks between Easter and Pentecost, and an attendance campaign in all congregations during the same period.

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Synod of California be adopted.

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

The year 1952 exceeded all previous years in the scope of the camping program in Synod which up to this time has been the sole emphasis of the Board. Under the consecrated direction of the Rev. John D. Foerster, S.T.M., a clear and positive program has been carried out in this field in order to provide a measure of leadership training for our young people through a week of Christian camp life.

Meeting for the fifth year at the familiar but poorly accessible Camp Yolijwa at Seven Oaks, Calif., seven weeks of camping were conducted with a record total attendance of 365 campers and a grand total of campers and staff of 547. The junior boys' camp was the largest with 78 youngsters in attendance. Junior girls' camp was next with 77. Two weeks of the program were set aside for senior girls with a total including some duplications, of 71 campers.

Over 12,000 tasty and ample meals were served at an approximate average cost of 29 cents per meal.

Plans are being made to conduct the 1953 camp at the same site. However, deterioration and inadquacy of the existing property have reached the point that it is only by the grace of the Forestry Service that we may thus continue for another season without a large outlay of funds for improvements.

The camp dates for 1953 are: Junior Boys—June 29-July 6, Intermediate Boys—July 6-July 13, Junior Girls—July 13-July 20, Intermediate Girls—July 20-July 27, Senior High Boys—July 27-August 3, Senior High Girls—August 3-August 17.

The Rev. Thomas A. Allport who is a member of this Board directed a successful short term "Camp Yolijwa" in Hawaii in 1952 using a program comparable to the one used here. It is of interest to note that the Rev. Albert Alsop of this Synod conducted a "Camp Yolijwa" in his mission field in Argentina.

It should be recognized that a number of congregations in the Northern Conference participated in the inter-Lutheran Mt. Cross Camp in that area. At the request of

the Board of Mt. Cross, our Board authorized Pastor Foerster to give direction to the 1953 Mt. Cross Camping program instituting courses and activities according to the Yolijwa plan. The Rev. George Flora is chairman of the Mt. Cross Board.

Property has been purchased by your Board at Oak Glen for a new camp site and other property to complement this is under option. Here at an altitude of 5000 feet and in choice surroundings an all-year type of program may be conducted. Overall plans for the development of the site have been started. Plans are currently under way for a funding effort in 1953 to give substance to the plans.

The Board is deeply appreciative of the contributions and efforts of the many in Synod who have furthered the program in various ways. It is earnestly conscious that this is service for the Kingdom of our Lord.

The following served as members of the camp Board in 1952: The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, (president), the Rev. R. Bertram Reed (secretary until his leaving the Synod in April when he was succeeded in this office by the Rev. David E. Robison), Mrs. Robert R. Inslee (treasurer), the Rev. Charles P. Smith, and Rev. H. Paul Romeis, the Rev. F. W. Heinecken, the Rev. George Spindt, the Rev. Glen O. Balsley, the Rev. Quentin P. Garman and the Rev. Thomas Allport.

Respectfully submitted,
THE CAMP BOARD

The Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz, Director of the 1952 Camp at Hawaii, reported that 83 children, staff of 12, for a total of 95 attended the Camp. This represents a slight decrease from last year's attendance which can be attributed to two main causes: the pineapple cannning season which found many of last year's Kauai campers working in the canneries; a polio epidemic which caused several parents to cancel reservations despite the fact that the camp carried polio insurance. To eliminate the first cause the Director will recommend that next year the camp be held in August as it was in 1951.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that a paragraph be included covering the program of the cooperate National Lutheran Council camp in Prescott, Arizona, in which our Arizona congregations participate.

Motion prevailed that the Report be adopted.

LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION

(CAMP YOLIJWA)

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash in bank	$ 210.81	
Account receivable	35.38	$ 246.19
Property and Equipment		
Seven Oaks	14,213.52	
Oak Glen	7,517.35	
Options — Ford & Snowline properties	650.00	
Library	69.41	22,450.28
Prepaid Insurance		247.83
		$22,944.30

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Loan from Special Reserve in General Funds of Synod	$ 2,931.43
Advances by the General Fund	2,649.89
Advances by the General Fund against 1953 Budget	1,000.00

Funds		
Improvement Savings	$ 378.22	
Scholarship	286.51	
Seminary Altarware	141.03	
Yolijwa of South America	25.00	
Oak Glen Development	69.00	
1952 Year Book	133.50	1,033.26
Accounts payable		1,382.33
		8,996.91
Net Worth		13,947.39
		$22,944.30

NET WORTH

Balance — January 1, 1952		$ 9,691.62
Add:		
Amortization of Special Reserve in Gen'l. Fund of Synod	$ 1,200.00	
Special Gift	4,150.00	
Transfer from Development Fund to Oak Glen	85.00	5,435.00
		15,126.62
Deduct:		
1951 Adjustments:		
Camp Trailer	26.69	
Improvement Savings Fund	53.05	
Scholarship Fund	190.41	
Seminary Altarware	62.92	
Survey refund	363.00	
	696.07	
Net Decrease for 1952	483.16	1,179.23
Balance — December 31, 1952		$13,947.39

(CAMP YOLIJWA)
Statement of Operations
Year ended December 31, 1952

Income		
Registration & Board of Campers & visitors	$ 6,679.93	
Store	582.99	
Books	446.64	
Transportation	422.10	
Handicraft and miscellaneous	48.44	
Photographs	195.50	
Year Books	28.75	
Total Camp receipts		$ 8,404.35
Synod of California		3,500.00
Churches		195.00
Total Income		12,099.35
Costs of Operations		
Salaries	2,457.00	
Food	2,859.05	
Kitchen and dining room supplies	77.17	
Books	431.85	

Store purchases	444.19	
Telephone	31.98	
Office	257.60	
Gas, oil, butane	434.84	
Supplies	329.16	
Awards	285.02	
Medical supplies	72.17	
Repairs and maintenance	473.02	
Handcraft and Recreation Supplies	228.67	
Photographs	188.23	
Transportation	885.50	
Insurance	375.18	
Travel	228.27	
Taxes	25.47	10,084.37
Net Increase from Operations		2,014.98
Other Expenses		
General and administration	1,444.87	
Promotional and development	1,053.27	2,489.14
Net Decrease		$ 483.16

Motion was made and seconded that the Southern Conference of Synod be instructed to explore, with the Camp Board of the National Lutheran Council in Southern California, the possibility of establishing a National Lutheran Council Camp in Southern California, and that the Conference report its findings to the next Convention of Synod.

The motion prevailed that the time of this session be extended by two minutes.

The motion was made, seconded, and carried that the above be amended to include San Diego.

The former motion was carried as amended.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D., spoke to the Convention on "How the U.L.C.A. Benevolence Dollar is Spent."

Following the presentation by the U.L.C.A. Representative, the tellers reported the election results.

Motion was made and seconded that the program for the funding campaign for the Camp, as presented by Pastor Paul Romeis, be approved.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

EVANGELISM CRUSADE

Implementing the action taken at the 1952 Synodical Convention (President's Report, page 25 Minutes of Synod 1952) "That a (second) period of Evangelism be set aside from the Season of Easter to Pentecost for a three-fold program: a. An active attendance crusade; b. A personal Evangelism effort; c. A reconsecration program;" we propose the following Evangelism Crusade for the period from Easter to Pentecost, 1953.

I. **A Church Attendance Campaign** seeking every member attendance at the Sunday worship services in each congregation. That Easter Sunday be a Commitment Sunday in each congregation, at which time each member and friend be given the opportunity to register his sincere promise to strive for perfect attendance during this period.

II. **A Personal Evangelism Effort** seeking to marshall the entire membership of the congregation in a program of soul-winning by personal witnessing, and personal lay visitation, for the purpose of winning new members and re-enrolling the inactive ones. That likewise on Easter Commitment Sunday every member be asked to enroll in this effort and to promise the use of his time and talent for evangelism during this period.

III. **A Reconsecration Effort** on the part of all of our people to find that privilege of walking with our crucified and risen Lord, so that we may in a very real way understand how He shared His life for us that we might know **the joy**

of sharing our lives with Him in His Kingdom. Thus, during this particular period, we shall give to our people the opportunity for sharing a part of their lives in this Reconsecration effort through a crusade in giving for the Lutheran leadership training program of Synod, in order that we might discover boys and girls, young men and young women, who will give their whole lives in consecrated service to the full time program of the Church, and in order that the youth of the Church might rise within our congregations to bring to our people a new sense of Lutheran leadership as they have received this assistance from Him who is our Lord and crucified King. (This implements the action of the Executive Committee of Synod in designating the period from Easter to Pentecost 1953 to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for a Synod-wide appeal for funds.)

Motion was made, seconded, and carried that we recess the session until after lunch.

Following a splendid luncheon served by the women of Grace and Harbor Gate Lutheran Churches, The Rev. Oak W. Ebright, Director of The California Lutheran Home for the Aged, spoke to the Convention concerning the work and hopes of the Home for the Aged.

Motion prevailed that the Report for the Home for the Aged and the Report of the Treasurer of the Home for the Aged, be adopted.

REPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

As I make my first report to the Synod as Executive Director of our Synodical Home for the aged, I am happy to be able to say that there is abundant evidence that God's blessings rest upon this work and that He is blessing my labors in this field unto which He has called me. For, "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it."

The Home Family

Of the twenty-four guests whose names were recorded in last year's report, twenty are still with us today. Only one of this number, Edward Meyer, has departed this life. Our register now lists twenty-nine guests, five more than last year. Last year's report names seven staff members other than the superintendent. Four of these seven are still with us. Our family is thus composed of twenty-nine guests, seven helpers, the Director and his wife; thirty-eight in all.

Activities and Health

Our aged family has enjoyed unusually good health. The Home is now served by Dr. D. L. Stokesbary of Alhambra. He takes a real interest in the physical welfare of these aged folks. The response of the Churches in the Fall in gathering has exceeded any other year. Hundreds of quarts of good canned food has been given to us. This will help a great deal this year in our effort to balannce the burget. We are very grateful to the pastors, laymen and laywomen who gathered together this large contribution and brought it to the Home.

The program of activities for the guests has been full. We have had spiritual ministration through the evening devotional services with regular worship on Sunday afternoons. Communion is administered quarterly. The Home has a Missionary Society that compares favorably with that of any congregation. Our Thankoffering amounted to $136. At the annual meeting five Life memberships were presented. Members of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Alhambra, the Rev. Walter Stuhr, pastor and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Monterey Park, the Rev. D. W. Endter, pastor, have graciously furnished transportation each Lord's day for any of our guests who cared to worship with either of these congregations. Many individuals and organizations have given of their talents for the edification and entertainment of our guests. Especially has this been true during the Christmas season. The Women of Our Saviour's Church once a week take shopping any of our guests who care to go over to the stores in Alahmbra. This solves the problem for those who believe we are too inaccessible to the world.

Use of Infirmary

On May 25th the new infirmary of the Home was dedicated. It is a beautiful, well constructed, easily heated building. But among the guests there has been so

little sickness that would warrant confinement in an infirmary, and there have been so many requests for entrance into the Home, the Board authorized this building to be used as increased capacity of the Home. This made possible care of five more guests. But our crying need is still more room that we may serve the many aged people who need and desire care in a Christian Home.

Expansion Plans

The Board of the Home has approved the building of a $75,000, twenty-six room addition to the main building. The plan has also met with the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod. This will mean the borrowing and raising of this amount. The Board believes this to be an absolute necessity if the Home is to be maintained economically and if we are to serve the Church in any way commensurate with the needs of our aged folks and others who appeal to us for Christion love and care.

Finances

Although the new infirmary was dedicated last May free from mortgaged indebtedness, the Home has been carrying approximately $10,000 indebtedness. Part of this is based on current expense and part on the infirmary. This money is owed to the Synod and to the Church Extension Division. By more economical management and with increasing gifts of love from the Church we are endeavoring to balance the expense budget. Our monthly income today for care rendered our guests is $625 greater than the average of last year. Our payroll is but $20 more per month than the average of last year. But an exceedingly bright spot in this picture is that our Home was named in the will of an Amanda Doering. Our attorney believes that we may receive as much as $9,000 from this estate. This will approximately clear our indebtedness. Surely something for which we should thank our Heavenly Father.

Appreciation and Appeal

Representing this work of Christian love of our Synod I wish to express my appreciation to the women of the Fellowship who shouldered so much of the financial responsibility in the building and furnishing of the infirmary and have so faithfully contributed to the current expense of the Home and to the pastors, congregations and organizations who have permitted me to come to them with the challenge of this work. And to the others, I beg of you the privilege of presenting the appeal of a fast growing number of unhappy people in our American Society who look to the Church for refuge. With the able guidance of the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner we prepared an attractive brochure containing pictures and information concerning the work. This is for free distribution among the families of our Church.

Respectfully submitted,
O. W. EBRIGHT,
Executive Director

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$ 3,252.75	
Trust Deed Note Receivable	2,950.00	$ 6,202.75
Fixed Assets		
Land	30,500.00	
Buildings	71,743.88	
Furnishings	14,596.21	
Equipment	1,640.93	
Cottages	24,054.95	
Rest Cottage	24,023.39	
Fence	225.00	166,784.36

Other Assets		
Food Inventory	495.00	
Stocks and Bonds	100.00	595.00
		$173,582.11

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Note payable	$ 6,093.86	
Withholding and payroll taxes	282.38	
Accounts payable	1,699.35	$ 8,075.59
Deposit Accounts		11,156.44
Designated Funds		
Rest Cottage	20,822.60	
Building Fund	2,385.72	23,208.32
Net Worth		
Balance — January 1, 1952	132,043.38	
Decrease in operations for the year	901.62	131,141.76
		$173,582.11

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Statement of Income and Expense

Year ended December 31, 1952

Income		
Receipts for Care	$ 20,991.06	
Cottage utilities	480.00	
Appropriated receipts	4,641.89	
Miscellaneous	239.82	
Total Income		$ 26,352.77
Expenses		
Salaries and wages	12,256.70	
Accounting	625.00	
Food	6,238.61	
Supplies	659.51	
Utilities	1,433.18	
Laundry	1,259.83	
Payroll taxes	208.53	
Blue Cross	183.20	
Maintenance and Repair	1,188.25	
Taxes	46.14	
Telephone	283.54	
Travel	417.90	
Auto expense	140.69	
Pension expense	54.44	
Postage	43.15	
Insurance	221.05	
Medical supplies and expense	240.49	
Stationery and printing	531.24	
Interest	212.50	
Sunset Herald expenses	583.40	
Publicity	309.95	
Miscellaneous	117.09	
Total Expenses		27,254.39
Net Decrease		$ 901.62

The Rev. Paul W. Dieckman, S.T.M. D.D., President of Midland College was introduced and spoke to the Convention concerning developments at Midland.

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Trustees of Midland College be adopted.

MIDLAND COLLEGE REPORT

Fremont, Nebraska

One of our favorite hymns begins, in its second stanza, with the words: "Bless Thou the Truth, dear Lord." It is this blessed Truth which we seek to make the foundation of the work at Midland College, your college in Fremont, Nebraska. We earnestly pray that our efforts may be successful.

The selective service situation and a gradual decrease in the number of veterans of the second World War attending college, reduced the total number of students from 373 in 1951 to 351 in 1952 in spite of the fact that the freshman class is the second largest in the school's history. The proportion of Lutheran students in the college is 68%, of which number 70 are preparing for full-time Christian service. The California Synod is represented by 16 students. If every pastor in the supporting synods were to induce even one member of his parish to come to Midland College our enrollment would be doubled—and we would not need to worry about future enrollments. We earnestly plead for this helpful interest on the part of our pastors.

A major capital item entered the plant and financial picture during this past autumn. A refurnishing and refurbishing program was begun on the Gymasium-Commons Building and Beegle Hall (girls' dormitory). Both buildings had been sadly neglected and were in dire need of new roofs and major repairs. This caused an expenditure of $40,000, which is being repaid by special donations from individuals and congregations. Those who live and work on the campus are keenly conscious of the great boost in morale which has come through these improvements.

The Board of Trustees at its last annual meeting adopted the following "seven-year" program: (1) a balanced budget each year; (2) a general increase of 5-25% in the salaries of the faculty and staff personnel; (3) a continuing program of refurbishing and refurnishing of all campus buildings; (4) a sizable increase in the Endowment Fund; (5) repayment of the debt on Men's Memorial Hall ($133,200) and to Central Lutheran Theological Seminary ($21,539); (6) erection of an addition to Beegle Hall; (7) conversion of North Hall into a Fine Arts Building; and (8) erection of a Library Building. It is anticipated that ground will be broken this spring for the Library Building to be erected with CHEY funds now on hand for this purpose.

Midland is the college of the U.L.C. west of the Missouri River. Midland is grateful for the help which the Californi Synod has given. This gratitude is beyond the power of words to express and in effect must be understood rather than explicitly stated. The college is mindful of this great source of strength. It is proud to be a church college.

As such, however, Midland as an arm of the church must do exceptionally well those things which by its very nature are demanded of it. In order to do its job in a way of which both the church and the college may be proud, Midland must have greatly increased gifts for current expenses, for capital funds and for endowment. The standards in equipment, faculty and services demanded of an accredited college today preclude any possibility of operating successfully without substantial gift and endowment income. In the case of colleges like Midland, the federal and state governments cannot be of direct help, we must seek our help among our constituencies. But equally important is the fact that the supporting synods must help in bringing students to the college. Midland wants and needs more able boys and girls from Lutheran homes.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D.
The Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.

Motion was made and seconded that the Constitution of Midland College be approved.

Motion prevailed that action on this be deferred.

FIFTH SESSION

January 28, 1953 — 2:40 p. m.

The fifth session was opened with devotions by the Chaplain on the theme "We Beseech Thee."

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the fourth session be approved as distributed.

Motion was made and seconded that the goal of $100,000 be set for the Lutheran Leadership Training Appeal.

Motion was made and seconded that the motion be amended by adding the following: "That the Synod instruct the Executive Committee to appoint a five man allocation Committee composed of one pastor from the Northern Conference, one pastor from the Los Angeles Area, one pastor from Arizona and one pastor from the Hawaiian Islands, charged with the responsibility of releasing the funds for leadership training needs upon the territory of the Synod."

The motion was seconded and carried.

The motion was made that the amendment be amended by the insertion of the words "or layman" after the word "pastor."

The motion was carried.

The amended motion was carried, reading as follows:

"That the goal of $100,000 be set for the Lutheran Leadership Training Appeal and that the Synod instruct the Executive Committee to appoint a four man Allocation Committee composed of pastors or laymen, one from the Northern Conference one from the Los Angeles Area, one from Arizona, and one from the Hawaiian Islands, charged with the responsibility of releasing the funds for leadership training needs upon the territory of the Synod."

Motion was made and seconded that we reconsider Item 3 of the Evangelism Crusade entitled "A Reconsecration Effort."

Motion prevailed that this portion of the report be referred back to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation Appeal Committee of the Executive Committee with power to act.

The Rev. John Stump reported the election results on the third ballot.

Motion prevailed that we refer the remainder of the Evangelism Crusade material to the Committee on the President's Report for incorporation in their report.

Motion prevailed that the Constitution of Midland College be approved.

Motion was made, seconded, and carried that we accept the Report of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This report could well be titled "A Dream Come True" for what was but a desire and a dream in 1948 is now a reality. Our Seminary is now a functioning institution with a fine faculty and a good student body. The Board of Directors owe a great debt of gratitude to the Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., Executive Secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, for his wise counsel in the matter of securing faculty members. Likewise the Board is indebted to the Rev. Mark A. Getzendaner, who, serving as interim director until May 1, 1952, did much of the work in securing the present student body, keeping the property in shape, and generally guiding the affairs of our infant institution.

Through the generosity of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Rev. Karl Jacobsen, Ph.D., of St. Paul, Minnesota, came to the Seminary to catalogue books that were arriving and to set up the library on the basis of the Congressional Library system. Dr. Jacobsen spent over two months at this task.

With the arrival of President-elect, the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., about August 15, 1952, the Seminary became a beehive of activity. Complete furnishings were secured for class rooms, professors' offices, boy's dormitory, as well as additional furnishings for the president's apartment, and for the apartment of a guest

professor. In this connection it is to be noted that the Women's Auxiliary presented over $500 worth of linens for the dormitory and dining room. A six car garage was converted into a class room on the first floor and three professor's offices on the ground floor.

The service of formal opening was held on the campus September 21, 1952, with over two hundred persons present. The Liturgical service was conducted by the Rev. Phillip Ellman, pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church (Aug), of Berkeley, and President of the Lutheran Pastoral Association of the Bay Area. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., president-elect of the Seminary. Greetings were brought by the Rev. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President of the California Synod, and representating the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of the California Synod; and by the Rev. J. L. Sawyer, D.D., President of the Board of Directors representing the Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., President of the Pacific Synod. Members of the faculty and student body were introduced by Dr. Foelsch. Refreshments were served at the close of the service by members of the Women's Auxiliary.

Class room work began on September 22, 1952, with a student body of twenty-five, consisting of five seniors, seven middlers, twelve juniors and one special student. It is interesting to observe that of this group twelve students are married, and thirteen are single.

Another step toward making the dream a reality was the inauguration of the president-elect and the induction of the faculty at a special service held in St. Michael's Church, Berkeley on October 17, 1952. The liturgical service was conducted by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, Vice-President of the Board, and representing the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., president of the California Synod. The Scripture lessons were read by the Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., Executive Secretary of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D., LL.D., President of the United Lutheran Church in America, speaking on the subject "The Seminary, The Lord, and The Church." Presentation of the President-elect and professors-elect was made by Mr. Howard Logan, Secretary of the Board of Directors. Rev. J. L. Sawyer, D.D., President of the Board, conducted the official service of induction for professors-elect, and inauguration of the President. Upon the proper declaration of faith as set forth in the Constitution of the Seminary, and promises thereto, the following were declared inducted as professors of the Seminary: The Rev. E. Theodore Bachmann, Ph.D., Department of Church History; the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., Department of New Testament Interpretation; the Rev. Harry J. Mumm, Ph.D., Department of Biblical Studies, and the Rev. Gerhard Lenski, Ph.D., guest professor in the Department of of Systematic Theology for the year of 1952-53. Following the induction service for professors, the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., was inaugurated as President of the Seminary. Prayers were offered by the Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., President of the Pacific Synod. Special music for this service was provided by the Lutheran choirs of the Bay area under the direction of Mr. Howard Harrisville, with Mr. Hugh Brown at the organ. Official delegates and representatives from educational institutions of our own church body and other Lutherann bodies, as well as other church bodies, from universities, synods and boards, attending this service totaled over sixty. At the close of the service an informal reception was held in the social rooms of St. Michael's Church with members of the Women's Auxiliary as hostesses. This marvelous service was a real high spot in the dream which began in 1948.

The Board of Directors is made up of men who see a great future for the Seminary. With proper financial support, and with members of synods busy recruiting men for the ministry, Pacific Seminary could soon be a leading seminary in the Church. In the planning for the future the Seminary faculty is arranging a summer schedule in order that pastors may do post graduate work. It is also hoped that in the near future we may be able to announce courses for young women interested in certain types of full time service in the Church. Also included in the planning for the future is the matter of a dormitory building for men, increased library facilities, and a president's home. After this year's operation and experience the Board will be in a better position to determine a long range program and policy for the institution.

The Board is most grateful for the wonderful cooperation given financially and otherwise. It pleads for a continuation of this cooperation, and for the prayers of all, that under God's guidance we may have an institution properly staffed and adequately equipped to meet the ever-increasing demands of our vast territory for ministers who have a pioneering spirit and are properly trained to serve in our Lutheran Church on the west coast.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. "That Article II, Section I of the Constitution of the Seminary be modified by substituting a period for the comma after 'United Lutheran Church in America', thus deleting the clause 'and such other Lutheran bodies as agree to enter into corporate relationship in the institution'. The modified article would then read: 'The property of this Corporation, both real and personal, shall be forever held by the Board of Directors in trust for and under guidance of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California (of the United Lutheran Church in America) and the Pacific Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America'."

2. That the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary be placed in the 1953 budget of Synod at the rate of $1.50 per communing member.

Respectfully submitted,
ROSS HIDY
HOWARD LOGAN
WILLIAM SCHEEL
CARL TAMBERT

Motion prevailed that recommendation No. 1 of the Pacific Theological Seminary Report be adopted.

Motion prevailed that item No. 2 be adopted

Motion prevailed that the Report as a whole be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that we receive the Report of the Treasurer of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary subject to audit and final acceptance by the Executive Committee.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

from its beginning May 31, 1949 to December 31, 1952

Receipts:

Pacific Synod Seminary Trust Funds	$ 53,570.00	
Seminary Appeal	2,562.08	
Synod of California Seminary Appeal	40,500.00	
CHEY	70,229.13	
CHEY Special Aid Fund	32,000.00	
For Dobbins Hall, 2750 Marin Av, from Mrs. Dobbins	5,000.00	
For Library:		
Northwestern Luth. Theol. Seminary Student Body	300.00	
Women of Epiphany Lutheran Church San Leandro	20.00	
Women's Missionary Society, Synod of California	2,153.50	
C. O. Kienbusch	500.00	
Dr. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr.	25.00	
Miss Elizabeth M. Hirt	5.00	
Miss Caroline R. Gipner	10.00	
Another Friend	50.00	
For Charles A. Schnepel Students' Revolving Fund, from Miss Mary A. M. Schnepel	1,000.00	
For Special Use — to be determined — from Joseph Lincoln Ray	500.00	
Refund of Shipping Cost	10.00	
Mimeograph Fund from Bliss W. Bellinger	5.00	
For Dormitory Fund:		
Miss Caroline R. Gipner	100.00	
Mr. and Mrs. A. Hirschmann	10.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Jansen	25.00	
For Furniture from Charles B. Foelsch	315.00	
For of Garage Doors	40.00	$208,929.71

Expenditures:

Clark Hall, 2770 Marin Avenue	78,967.79	
Lights, and Renovate Floors	1,005.86	
Dobbins Hall, 2750 Marin Avenue	64,339.26	
Apartments, and Rooms in Garage	6,218.58	
Convert to Gas for Heating	1,449.26	
Lot No. 11	2,056.14	
Office Equipment	936.79	
Furniture	25,515.25	
Library	1,409.80	
Library Helpers' Salary	1,619.00	
Moving Expense for Professors	4.182.86	
Engineering and Surveying	2,770.19	190,470.7
Capital Funds on hand December 31, 1952		$ 18,458.9

OPERATING FUNDS

Receipts:

From Pacific Synod	6,712.75	
From Synod of California	25,000.00	
From Board of Education	7,500.00	
From Registrations, Refunds, etc.	2,187.24	
Gifts for Operating Expenses	95.00	
From Insurance for Repairs	155.20	
Total Operating Funds Receipts		41,800.1

Expenditures:

Board Meetings and Traveling Expenses	7,450.47	
Executive Director, Salary & Special allowance	2,000.00	
Faculty, Salaries and Special allowance	7,733.34	
Contributions to Pension Funds	223.00	
Stenographic Salaries	2,377.75	
Office Supplies and Committee Expenses	1,744.17	
Promotion, Advertising, Catalogs and Bulletins	3,347.63	
Public Occasions, Conferences & Special lectures	1,053.99	
Telephone, Light, Heat, Water, etc.	5,702.62	
Gardeners and Supplies	4,320.02	
Wages, Student Help	220.32	
Repairs	211.83	
Insurance, Property Damage and Liability	2,319.57	
Miscellaneous	1,177.64	
Total Operating Fund Expenditures		39,912.3
Operating Funds on hand December 31, 1952		1,887.8

RECAPITULATION

Capital Funds	$18,458.93
Operating Funds	1,887.84
Balance on hand December 31, 1952	20,346.77
Less Petty Cash Funds	2,000.00
Bank Balance	18,346.77

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Balance on hand, December 31, 1952 ..... 637.50

NOTES PAYABLE

Mrs. Hugh T. Dobbins, September 7, 1953 ..... $15,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARVIN C. JOHNSON, Treasurer

The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D.,D.D., President of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary was presented to the Convention. He presented Professors Harry Mumm and Gerhardt E. Lenski and a group of students from the Seminary, and then spoke concerning the aspirations of the Seminary.

Motion prevailed that we express our deep appreciation to all who had a part in bringing the Pacific Theological Seminary into being.

Dr. G. Elson Ruff presented the third lecture in his series, on the subject "It's Your Souls We Want."

Following the Lecture, The Rev. George Muedeking, Secretary of the California District of the American Lutheran Church, brought greetings to the Convention.

The following reports were adopted:

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Southern Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California met on January 27, 1953, in connection with the convention of Synod.

By proper ballot The Rev. J. Benner Weaver was elected to the office of vice president of the Conference. By proper motions duly made, seconded, and carried, the rules were suspended and the following were elected by voice vote: The Rev. Charles P. Smith, secretary; and The Rev. Arthur Alm, treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES P. SMITH, Secretary.

NORTHERN CONFERENCE REPORT

The Northern Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California held no regular fall meeting in 1952 at the request of the Executive Committee of Synod suggesting attendance at the United Lutheran Church convention in October at Seattle.

Pastors and laymen did come together at the Seminary, for a conference with the executive secretary of English Missions of the Board of American Missions of the United Lutheran Church, Dr. Arthur M. Knudsen.

During the Synodical convention at Grace Lutheran Church, Richmond, the Northern Conference met briefly on January 27, 1953. The following officers were elected:

President, The Rev. Milus Bonker
Vice-president, The Rev. E. Dale Click
Secretary, The Rev. Albert Hidy
Treasurer, Mr. George Miksch

The budgetary needs of the Conference were referred to its executive committee.

Respectfully submittd,
E. DALE CLICK, Secretary

LUTHERAN REPORT

During 1952 The Lutheran Synodical Plan was in effect during the three month period of October, November, and December. During this time the yearly subscription rate was reduced from $3.50 a year to $2.00. To qualify for this $2.00 rate a parish needed to submit a minimum of ten subscriptions on its original order.

In 1950, 38 congregations participated and 1523 subscriptions were received. In 1951, 55 congregations participated and 2265 subscriptions were received. 1952 reports that have come in to date indicate that this year will show another sizeable increase.

A number of churches have reported 100%. This means that every family in these churches is receiving The LUTHERAN. Most of these congregations have placed the LUTHERAN on the church budget.

We of the California Synod Lutheran Committee wish to thank those of you who cooperated so splendidly with our synod's "Lutheran Synodical Plan." The growth of this program is evidence that this fine news-magazine is fulfilling one of the real needs of our people.

Greater support of this program in 1953 will help our synod grow both spiritually and physically.

Respectfully submitted,
ELDON R. MILLER, Chairman
GLEN O. BALSLEY
GUY L. HUDSON
LEO S. JOHNSTON

THE REPORT OF THE REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Each of the News Correspondents for THE LUTHERAN is assigned certain dates for material from his area for printing in THE LUTHERAN. Your Reporter during the last year has submitted material on each occasion when scheduled. In addition THE LUTHERAN has carried a number of articles, submitted by others concerning our work in our Synod. We suggest only, two, one on Dr. Chas. Foelsch the President of our Seminary and another on our Trailer Ministry.

We recognize that we are not being able to send in much news from the Northern Conference and Arizona area. We desire that we might be advised of interesting events in your area. If you would place the name of the Reporter on your mailing list then we would be able to do a better job for you.

One problem we have is that some pastors prefer to go direct to THE LUTHERAN with their news. We can only say that this is not fair to the other men who use the Reporter and we suggest that should all men send news direct to THE LUTHERAN very soon we would be getting NO space. THE LUTHERAN prefers to receive news from its appointed correspondents.

We want pictures. We do not guarantee they will be printed but we shall send them in and where requested shall send them back to you. The Reporter doesn't eliminate what you send in. That is and must be the prerogative of the News Editor of THE LUTHERAN. Further, we want news. A picture of a Confirmation Class is NOT news and if one is printed THE LUTHERAN may have to print 4,000 of them. However, if there is something different about your Confirmation Class it is news. As for example, one year a pastor confirmed a person and it was televised.

Sometimes pastors names aren't important although we usually attach them to anything happening in his congregation. We believe all will agree that THE LUTHERAN has been most generous in its consideration of our Synod in printing our stories and news.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD L. LOGAN

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Three hundred pastors and churches in the ULCA have found one way to help their people become better informed Christians; namely, by starting a Book Corner. A few of our California Synod churches have regular book corners, but far too few. The congregation which starts a book corner will find that more and more of its members will begin turning to it as they seek gifts for special occasions, want new reading material for their children, and desire a book for family reading. One of our congregations which started six years ago with just a few books on a table in the narthex now has a large rack of all types of religious books, which members and visitors patronize regularly. Why don't you, pastor, layman, start a Book Corner when you receive the Lenten Book Corner mailing from The United Lutheran Publication House in a few weeks?

If you are not yet acquainted with the new Week-Day Church School materials, we recommend that you send to the publication house immediately for some samples. Even if you are not able to start a week-day school now, you will be pleasantly surprised to see what our Parish Education Board is offering us in this important field of week-day education. The Board is spending almost $100,000 on this material which is now available for four grades: 3, 5, 7, and 10. Four more grades will be added in the fall of 1953 and four more in 1954.

The United Lutheran Publication House has expanded its Los Angeles branch to accommodate the rapidly-growing business of this store under the capable managership of Mr. Howard Logan. The store space has been doubled to 2400 square feet. Gaining $20,000 in business in 1952 over 1951, the Los Angeles branch's total annual sales are almost $100,000.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD W. ENDTER, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

During 1952 the Committee on Church Music answered numerous requests for ormation regarding personnel, church organs, music, choir vestments, etc. In most ses, the Committee felt that it was able to be of help and appreciated this privil- e.

In addition, a poll of the active pastors of Synod was taken by the Committee king for their opinion on the proposed use of the Revised Standard Version for e Sunday lessons in the new hymnal. The result of this poll, which was 8 to 1 in vor of the use of the R.S.V., was later reported to the delegates to the ULCA con- ntion in Seattle.

The Chairman of the Committee was asked to present a paper at the meeting the Southern Conference, and also participated in the annual retreat of the choir First Lutheran Church, Glendale.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES P. SMITH, Chairman
VLAD P. BENKO
PHILLIP W. BERGSTRESSER
ALBERT S. HIDY
WALTER STUHR

THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee held five meetings since the last Synodical Meeting May, 1952.

Seven candidates for ordination appeared before the Committee and one candi- te for ad interim licensure.

The statement by the President of Synod, the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., on he Meaning And Purpose Of Synod" as studied and recommended for the widest ssible circulation in the congregations of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. E. OSLUND, Chairman
REV. ERWIN A. VOSSELER, Secretary
REV. HOWARD A. ANSPACH, D.D.
REV. H. C. LINDSAY,
REV. JOHN G. SIMMONS,
REV. ARTHUR ALM, laison member from the Ministerial Education Committee.
REV. E. A. VOSSELER, Secretary.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

One of the functions of the Executive Committee is the direction of the Home ssion activities of Synod. Some of the information regarding this work will be nd in the Report of the Comptroller and the Report of the Executive Committee. s report presents a picture of the development of our organized missions as to mbership, debt, salary, and salary-aid from the date of organization to the present e. During this past year this part of our mission program has been placed under direction of the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President. Materials for s report have been taken from the files of Synod and the reports of the Board of erican Missions.

In submitting for the first time this detailed report, we wish to express again our cere appreciation and gratitude to the staff and members of the Board of American sions, without whose help, guidance, and cooperation the great missionary de- opment of our Synod could not take place; and the Women's Missionary Society the U.L.C.A. which supports four of our missions. Especially are we indebted to R. H. Gerberding, Executive Secretary of the Board, and department secretaries A. M. Knudsen, Dr. P. A. Kirsch, Dr. K. S. Henry, and Dr. E. L. Bowman,

mbols: **—Supported by the Women's Missionary Society

R—Rent; P—Parsonage; H—Heat; L—Light; T—Telephone; C—Car.

Board Grant figures do not include "cost of living" grants prior to 1950.

Mission	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	Debt (Ch.Ex.)	Gross Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
Alhambra ('49)	54	41	.....	3000	240	600	2100
(56) Our Saviour	62	50	.....	3000	288	600	1980
(Stuhr 1949)	68	55	(11,000)	3500	288	780	1860
	88	77	11,000	3000	132	R	1680
Altadena ('44)	116	66	.....	2400		600	1800
(60) Altadena Luth.	135	79	.....	2640		600	1680
(Bieber '44)	141	87	.....	Served by Missionary			
(Thompson '44-'47)	145	108	.....	3200	240	720	2220
(Lenhardt '48-'50)	157	122	.....	4060	300	840	2640
(Scholl 1950)	215	173	.....	4060	T C	840	2400
	215	192	(17,500)	3220	T C	P	2160
	220	204	22,000	3520	300	P	1920
Azusa ('51)	56	.....	.....	Served by Missionary			
(56) Calvary	66	54	(2,800)	2700	240	R	2400
(Anspach '51)							
(Barnhart '52)	83	52	9,805	2700	240	P	2220
Baldin Park ('51)	112	112	(29,000)	2700	HLC	R	2400
(112) Ascension	182	145	49,000	2700	836	R	2160
(Valbracht '51)							
(Pedersen '51)							
Berkeley ('52)	61	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	1200
(63) Shepherd-of-the-Hills							
(Sem. Steinhaus '52)							
Burbank ('46)	145	102	.....	3000	T C	600	2400
(87) Luther Memorial	164	102	.....	3000	T C	600	2280
(Failing 1948)	173	120	.....	3696	T C	540	2820
	200	120	.....	3636	T C	540	2580
	240	140	(17,050)	3636	T C	P	2340
	285	180	24,125	3696	480	P	2100

	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	Debt (Ch.Ex.)	Gross Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
Culver City ('45)	80	52	.....	2400		600	1800
(E. R. Miller '44)							
(51) Grace	100	64	.....	2520	.....	R	2040
(Wentz '47-'48)	142	108	.....	3000	120	R	1800
(Blough 1948)	206	146	.....	3600	L C	720	2160
	194	160	.....	3600	600	P	1920
	210	175	(22,688)	3600	L	P	1680
	220	195	22,688	3600	T	P	1440
El Monte ('47)	61	38	.....	2700	T	900	2100
(58) Redeemer	67	51	.....	2700	300	900	1980
(Forsyth '48-'51)	83	50	.....	3240	298	840	2400
(Nield 1952)	93	45	.....	2700	300	P	2340
	97	32	(5,038)	3000	300	P	2100
	97	68	18,661	2700	300	P	1860
Fresno ('51)	79	71	(11,950)	3600	.....	P	3300
(80) Faith	101	73	19,000	3600	.....	P	2880
(Olson 1952)							
Globe, Ariz. ('50)	68	41	.....	Served by Missionary			
(96) St. Paul	45	38	(17,500)	Served by Missionary			
Glidewell 1952)	54	35	22,200	2940	180	R	2220
**Honolulu, T. H. ('50)	76	45	.....				(Synod) 240
(58) St. Paul	90	61	(13,060)				(3000
(Jensen '48-'51)	75	67					Exp. (600
(Swanson 1952)						Rent	Cong. (1200
La Canada ('48)	105	87	.....	3180	66	780	2100
(62) Luth. Ch. in	138	110	.....	2820	366	P	2520
the Foothills	120	112	.....	3294	426	P	2280
(Stump 1949)	193	157	(24,073)	3354	426	P	2040
	245	200	37,799	3594	720	P	1800
Las Vegas, Nev. ('48)	86	66	.....	2400	300	*1200	1800
(82) Reformation	92	70	.....	4119	300	1200	2160
(Daly '49-'51)	91	72	.....	3780	300	1200	2160
(Arbaugh 1952)	38	29	.....				(2700
*Board	50	42	.....				Rent (816

	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	Debt (Ch.Ex.)	Gross Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
Lihue, T. H. (1883)	68	32	.....	3000	T C	P	2400
(....) Ev. Luth.	70	30	.....	3600	430	P	2160
(Dr. Hormann)							
(Allport 1949)	85	40	.....	3360	700	P	1920
.....	82	38	.....	3600	LTC	P	1680
Long Beach ('45)	54	51	.....	2400		600	2100
(61) Faith	94	60	.....	2400		600	1800
(Wagner '45-'48)	109	94	.....	2550	375	P	1800
(Wharton '48-'51)	122	90	.....	2650	.....	P	1680
(Mosling 1951)	158	99	.....	3096	236	P	2040
.....	139	103	.....	3100	200	P	1860
.....	112	106	(9,200)	3100	200	P	1680
.....	137	91	10,225	3100	360	P	1680
Long Beach ('47)	65	61	.....	2880	C	768	1980
(52) Lakewood	65	61	.....	3480	C	768	2580
(Mertz 1949)	99	75	.....	3480	240	312	2400
.....	135	129	(28,715)	3480	240	300	2220
.....	219	209	28,715	3820	600	P	1920
Long Beach ('52)							(3000
(60) Gloria Dei	52	37					Rent (816
(W. Hansen '51-'52)							
Los Angeles ('47)	109	57	.....	3160	.....	660	2560
(95) Transfiguration	114	70	.....	2100	300	P	1920
(Swanson '48-'49)	114	70	.....	3060	300	P	2880
(Ackerman '49-'52)	142	99	.....	3060	300	P	2580
(Holand 1952)	172	121	(28,625)	3060	C	P	2280
.....	217	150	41,766	3060	600	P	1980
Manhattan Beach ('49)	92	88	.....	3405	R	1005	2400
(88) Trinity	92	88	.....	4125	R	1005	3120
(Ulrich 1949)	105	91	.....	3120	T	R	2820
.....	134	88	(30,500)	3120	T	R	2520
.....	155	113	31,500	3120	75	P	2280

	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	DEFI (Ch.Ex.)	GROSS Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
Monterey Park ('14)	44	40	.....	3000		720	1800
(52) St. Paul	92	83	.....	3000	.....	720	1680
(Crouser '46-'48)	104	98	.....	3000	180	732	1560
(Endter 1948)	119	78	.....	3060	180	P	1860
	132	87	.....	3072	280	P	1680
	176	123	(19,613)	3062	500	P	1500
	194	148	28,105	3072	600	P	1260
Pearl Harbor, T. H. ('50)	55	38	.....				3000
(55) Ev. Luth.	62	23	.....				
(E. Jensen 1950)	60	34	.....				Exp. 600
(W. Hintz '51-'52)							

**Faith, Phoenix, Arizona, organized 1945, the Rev. Frank H. Clutz, Pastor, will become self-supporting as to salary January 1, 1953.

Phoenix ('52)							3000
(103) Mount of Olives							Exp. 600
(Schott '52)							Rent
Pomona ('47)	56	46	.....	2520	HLTC	720	1800
(52) Trinity	57	51	.....	2520	HLTC	720	1800
(Gerberding '46-'48)	72	62	.....	3060	.....	720	2160
(Bowman 1948)	86	78	.....	3400	HLTC	720	2340
	93	90	(13,038)	3420	HLTC	720	2100
	120	113	15,500	3420	HLTC	720	1920
Redding ('51)	117	30	(14,638)	Served by Missionary			
(60) United	86	69	15,500	3000	180	P	2160
Central Valley ('49)							
(58) St. James							
(Gerberding '49)							
(Atwood '51-'52)							
(Linton 1952)							
Redwood City ('51)				Supplied			2400
(73) Messiah	86	45	(5,550)	2400	204	R	2400
(Dr. Gray '51)							
(Senft 1952)	86	60	11,500	2700	120	P	2280

	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	Debt (Ch.Ex.)	Gross Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
Reno, Nev. ('47)	75	75	.....	Served by Missionary			
(75) Good Shepherd	100	90	.....	3720	300	600	2760
(Oslund 1949)	115	101	.....	3120	300	P	2520
	136	135	(50,100)	3120	300	P	2280
	138	135	50,100	4140	300	P	2040
Richmond ('51)	57	.....		Supplied			600
R. Hidy, NLC							
(57) Harbor Gate	60	50		Supplied			300
M. Bonker	62	54		Supplied			300
Richmond ('46)	85	35	.....	2700	HLT	600	2100
(62) St. James	92	48	.....	2736	HLTC	660	1980
Bartelt '48-'49)	54	46	.....	3120	T	P	2520
(Moyer '49-'52)	79	60	.....	3600	T	P	2520
(Sabins 1952)	94	80	(32,625)	3000	300	P	1800
	131	104	32,625	3000	300	P	1500
**Sacramento ('45)	----	.....	.....	2400		618	2100
(Wolpert '48)							
(50) St. Paul	36	20	.....	2400		600	1800
(Keck '45-'46)	62	49	.....	2400	.....	R	1680
(Youngquist '46-'50)	75	59	.....	2400	330	P	1560
(C. A. Miley 1951)	96	83	.....	2868	270	P	1980
	123	108	.....	3600	775	P	1620
	105	66	(28,065)	3600	775	P	1620
	147	91	35,192	3600	HLTC	P	1440
San Diego ('47)	104	75	.....	3240	T C	840	2640
(101) Christ	125	110	.....	3240	T C	840	2460
(Garman 1948)	194	170	.....	4140	HLTC	840	2940
	235	205	.....	4188	HLTC	840	2640
	252	235	(52,419)	4355	HLTC	840	2340
	350	325	52,419	4595	HLTC	840	2040
San Diego ('46)	81	57	.....	3000	.....	*600	1800
(69) St. Peter	92	67	.....	3540	271	600	2700
(Johnson '46-'47)	123	71	.....	3540	696	600	2460
Anspach '47-'49)	175	98	(15,173)	3600	602	P	2220
(Benko 1949)	202	115	18,078	3840	652	P	1980

	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	Com.	Def. (Ch.Ex.)	Gross Support	Extras	Rent	Board Grants
*Board							
San Fernando ('49)	109	88	.....	2100	150	P	2100
(109) St. Mark	109	88	.....	3640	330	900	2700
Fellner 1949)	139	91	.....	2700	T C	P	2340
	150	110	(7,225)	2700	T C	P	2160
	155	91	7,825	2700	T	P	1980
San Francisco ('85)	113	70	.....	2400		600	1800
(50) First	112	63	.....	Served by Missionary			
(Hooker '45-'46)	132	72	.....	2400	C	P	1800
(Miley '48-'52)	76	64	.....	2400	C	P	1620
	78	66	.....	2820	C	P	1860
	110	98	.....	2820	HLTC	P	1680
	123	111	(17,180)	2820	360	P	1500
VACANT							
San Jose ('51)	76	58	.....	Served by Missionary			
(76) Bethany	90	50	(21,647)	3600	60	P	3300
(Flora 1952)	114	96	34,325	3450	360	P	3000
San Leandro ('49)	112	66	.....	Served by Missionary			
(104) Epiphany	148	115	.....	2820	HLTC	P	2520
(Swanson '49-'51)	185	110	(28,738)	2820	HLTC	P	2400
(Hidy 1951)	283	202	39,375	3820	HLTC	P	2160

St. Andrew, San Mateo, organized 1944, the Rev. E. Dale Click, Pastor, will become self-supporting as to salary January 1, 1953.

Santa Ana ('51)				Served by Missionary			
(81) United Luth.	96	87	(10,875)	3120	T	R	3000
(Nickel 1952)	135	130	11,188	3120	445	R	2760
Tucson, Ariz. ('45)	121	115	.....	3000		600	2400
(82) Our Saviour	221	180	.....	3000	195	600	2160
(Scholl '45-'50)	256	194	.....	2400	T C	P	1920
(Spindt 1951)	373	303	.....	3216	T	P	2280
	406	300	.....	3640	T C	P	2100
	431	329	(25,000)	3380	T C	P	1920
	470	339	26,700	3612	780	P	1740

Van Nuys ('50)	107	65	.....	3600	420	R	3300
(92) St. Andrew	158	114	(24,900)	3600	420	R	3000
(Meyer 1951)	219	150	48,600	3600	420	R	2700

**Salem, Whittier, organized 1946, the Rev. David E. Robison, Pastor, will become self-supporting as to salary January 1, 1953.

Yreka ('47)	52	40	.....	2364	HLT	540	1740
(70) Mt. Zion	67	45	.....	3030	HLT	540	2100
(Linton '49-'52)	87	56	.....	2880	HLT	P	2160
(Keim '52)	100	43	(8,975)	2700	HLT	P	1800
.....	100	43	(8,975)	3000	HLT	P	1860

SPECIAL MISSIONS

		Board Grants
Los Angeles, Peace Latvian	Rev. Oscar Kleinbergs	2400

FIELDS BEING DEVELOPED

Concord	Rev. William Stremel	3000
Downey	Rev. Neale O. Jenson	3000
Long Beach	Rev. James A. Youngquist	3000
Mountain View	Rev. Louis G. Gray	2400
Norco-Chino-Corona	Rev. Bruno Ederma	3000
Orinda	Seminarian Edward Andersen	1200
Sacramento	Rev. George Steffens	3000
Santa Cruz	Rev. Charles Endter	3000
Yuma, Arizona	Rev. Stanley E. Olson	3000
Trailer Ministry	Rev. Charles J. Clark	3000
Kailua, Oahu, T. H.	Rev. Franklin Swanson	
Aiea, Oahu, T. H.	Rev. Waldemar Hintz	
Ajo, Arizona	Rev. Spindt, Schott, Olson	

SPECIAL WORK — HAWAII

Parish Worker	Miss Mildred Wagner	2400
Clinical Training	Seminarian David Wasgatt	2700

ADDITIONAL FIELDS SURVEYED 1952

	Orange
Campbell-Cupertino-Saratoga	Palmdale - Lancaster
Casa Grande, Arizona	Placerville
Corona-del-Mar	Pleasanton
El Cajon	San Rafael
Monterey	Santa Barbara (Rutherford Dist.)
Oakland (Montclair Dist.)	Vacaville, Fairfield - Suisun

ALLOCATED FIELDS TO BE SURVEYED 1953

Brawley	Lindsay
El Centro	Livermore
Eloy, Arizona	Palm Springs - Cathedral City
Florence, Arizona	Sacramento (McClellan Field Dist.)
Henderson, Nevada	Tiger, Ariz.

LOAN MISSIONS

(as of November 19, 1952)

Mission	Pastor	MEMBERSHIP Conf.	MEMBERSHIP Com.	Ch.Ex. Loan
Berkeley, St. Michael	Ross Hidy	357	273	$ 4,940
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	J. B. Weaver	562	444	37,853
Los Angeles, Beverly Hills	G. L. Hudson	340	168	7,750
Phoenix, Faith	F. H. Clutz	525	501	23,500
Richmond, Grace	M. W. Bonker	715	570	35,000
San Bernardino, First	A. W. Alm	349	278	1,926
San Diego, First	E. A. Vosseler	658	332	8,263
San Jose, Grace	C. F. Crouser	319	194	1,369
San Mateo, St. Andrew	E. D. Click	254	240	31,363
Santa Barbara, Grace	W. M. Ruccius	186	146	400
Santa Monica, St. Paul	W. W. Klover	516	309	21,600
Vallejo, St. Paul	G. O. Balsley	287	225	23,007
Whittier, Salem	D. E. Robison	357	264	14,629

Advent, Los Angeles, the Rev. Henry Scherer, pastor, has become fully self-supporting.

Thirty-two salary aid missions have Church Extension loans totaling $644,410.

Special mention and commendation is given to pastor and members of our three missions which became self-supporting as to salary in 1953, each one ahead of the normal schedule of 10 years: Faith, Phoenix, Pastor Frank Clutz, in 8 years; St. Andrews', San Mateo, Pastor E. Dale Click, in 9 years; and Salem, Whittier, Pastor David Robison, in 7 years. Likewise, commendation is given to Pastor Henry Scherer and the members of Advent, Los Angeles, as they have become self-supporting as to Board loans.

Respectfully submitted, H. PAUL ROMEIS

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSION SOCIETY OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Social Mission Society of the Southern Conference, an affiliate of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, and a Constitutional Beneficiary of the Samaritan Society of Southern California has, through unanimous action of the Board of Directors been functioning under the same Executive Board as that of the Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home, as in 1951. It has also been served by the same Congregational Key Women as those of the Fellowship, thus increasing its usefulness and membership by making known its functions and aims.

The Treasurer's Report for the year ending December 31, 1952, is as follows:

Balance on hand January 1, 1951		$ 755.58
Receipts from Samaritan Society		1,487.50
Total Receipts		$2,243.08
Disbursements:		
California Lutheran Home	$1,275.00	
Individual and Family Relief	20.00	
"Message for the Day" for 1952-53 to be distributed to patients at California and Santa Monica Hospitals	45.00	
Total Disbursements		$1,340.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1952		$ 903.08

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. NORRIS LANGE, President
MRS. NELS C. ROSTAD, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF THE 1952 CONVENTION

The Committee on the Minutes of the Sixty-first Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, held at First English Lutheran Church in Los Angeles, California, May 5 through May 8, 1952, have carefully considered the Minutes of this Synod convention and have found them accurate and complete.

This Committee wishes to again compliment the Secretary of Synod, The Rev. Paul Wolpert and his staff for the splendid manner in which they have recorded these minutes and caused them to be published for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
KENNETH E. LINTON, Chairman
AUGUST CLAUS
M. JOHN FELLNER

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION FOR 1952

A new era in ministerial education has opened with the starting of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary. For this we thank and praise Almighty God. This right arm of the Church is going to help us all realize the greater potential of the Church here on the West Coast. Now our own men can be trained for the Gospel Ministry on our own territory. Having accepted this challenge of a seminary here on the coast I know that the eyes of the Church are upon us.

With the seminary here each pastor and congregation will have the better opportunity to present the work of the Ministry as well as the diaconate. Every congregation should be sending men and women into full time service. Only as this is done can we meet the challenge of this significant day in our Synod.

The majority of the ministerial students we have in seminary now are attending Pacific Lutheran Seminary. This year we shall have three graduates. They are John Steinhaus, Kenneth Hartzheim, and Harold Schluntz.

During 1952 the committee on Ministerial Education met with Dr. Gould Wickey and the same committee from the Pacific Synod in Berkeley. All members were present. This conference considered at length five items.

1—The Background and present status of Ministerial Education.

2—Recruiting for the ministry.

3—Selection and certification of ministerial candidates.

4—Counseling and guidance of candidates.

5—Subsidization of the needy.

At this meeting it was recommended that steps be taken to systematize the procedure of the committees on Ministerial Education of the two synods.

Since both are supporting the same seminary and college this was deemed wise. This will be more carefully realized this next year.

We also accepted the offer of the Board of Education to provide counseling service for the ministerial students of our Synod.

Official action was taken by the Board of Education during the year to withdraw its support of travel expenses for any new students for the ministry from the California and Pacific Synods while attending Eastern seminaries. The Board also considered travel expenses to colleges and decided to limit travel allowance to the needy only to Midland College.

The Board of Education has been of invaluable help in the past in assisting both college and seminary students. The committee extends its thanks and appreciation.

During 1952 this committee has assisted many students both in College and seminary. Due to the large number of requests for help and the limited budget to work on we had to limit our ability to help.

Two of our men who had been preparing for the ministry notified the president's office and thruogh it the Committee on Ministerial Education that they are not continuing to plan on the ministry but are considering teaching. These men are Ray Nassen and James Grant.

Our list of ministerial students includes the following:

Richard Arthur
Donald Albert
William Anderson
Bliss Bellinger
Robert Beckstrom
Bruce Craft
Stanley Califf
Wm Crowser
Gilbert Dissi
George Drach
Harry Durkee
Paul Erickson
Ervin Florance
James Fincher
Wm Arthur Faust
Ned Glidewell
Marion Gjerde
Kenneth Hartzheim
Bertrand Johnson
Vern Jeffers
Hallett Kruggel
Richard Knudten
John Lindstrom
Howard Mickel
Wm Moreman
Guy Mehl
Kenneth Olson
Herbert Ringo
Carl Neubel
Gene Samuelson
Harold Schluntz
Walter Stuhr
John Steinhaus
Edward Ray
David V. Smith
Christian Thearle
Ben Torres
Robert Varblow
Roger Veum
Ted Youngerman

To this listing other names should possibly be added. If they have been omitted they will be added in a supplementary report.

The cause of the diaconate must also be kept before the young women of our Church. At the present time only Miss Patricia Chafin of Culver City represents our Synod. She has one year left, before completing her training.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Board of Education of the ULCA and especially Dr. Gould Wickey for all his wonderful help. Our thanks also to the President of this Synod and his office for most wonderful cooperation.

May God continue to bless us as His Church is built here on the West Coast.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Arthur Alm, Chairman
Walter Ruccius
Ray Nickel
George Ulrich
Herman Lucas

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY

First priority on our budget as a Synod is the apportionment of The United Lutheran Church in America. Again this year, as for many years past, this apportionment has been met in full and ahead of time, payments being on an eleven month basis thus guaranteeing 100% of apportionment. Also, as in the past, our Lutheran World Action quota was oversubscribed, but not all congregations met their congregational quotas and some contributed not at all to this world-wide need of relief and rehabilitation. Synod almost returned to the 100% column for the Synodical budget (99%) plus; only a few missed meeting their full apportionment and several went beyond the minimum goal. Only a continuous, year-round program of Stewardship education, using every material and tool available, can lift our people to the total commitment of all of life, all that they are and have, to the work of our Lord which is Christian Stewardship. In addition to the regular budget our congregations gave over $96,000 to the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal this year.

Throughout the year your Stewardship office made available and distributed the Bible in Daily Living film: "45 Tioga Street" to congregations free of charge. All former films produced by our Church were likewise available and distributed to congregations on request, and in 1953 all six U.L.C.A. films will be available and can be secured from the Publication House in Los Angeles by any congregation desiring them. A new film on Christian Tithing is promised for 1953.

The annual Stewardship Conference of the U.L.C.A. was held in June at Northwestern Seminary, Minneapolis; besides the Synodical secretaries and the Stewardship leaders there were present faculty represenatives from all of our seminaries. Your Secretary attended the two day meeting and participated in the program speaking on "What the Stewardship Secretaries Expect from the Seminaries."

Between September 18 and October 6 Church Councilmen's Institutes for Stewardship were held throughout Synod, holding 16 meetings in 19 days, your Secretary and The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner presented the cause of Stewardship, Evangelism and the Seminary Appeal to Councilmen and Pastors of almost all of our congregations. The Institutes were very well received and some such program is planned for the fall of 1953.

During the first half of the year the Stewarship Secretary gave much time to the planning and promotion of the Pacific Seminary Appeal. In November he served the National Lutheran Council as resource speaker at four Post-Hannover Conferences in Oregon and Idaho.

Again we express our thanks and sincere appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement of the U.L.C.A. for supplying, without cost, the finest materials for use in every congregation and we urge all congregational Stewardship Committees to make full use of these materials and helps so that every congregation may have a year round program of Stewarship education. We remind you again of the major emphases of this program: Proportioned Giving with the tithe as the reasonable first step; the Stewardsship of all of life, time, talen and treasure; the 50-50 budget; Christian Wills; Child and Youth Stewardship.

Respectfully submitted,
H. PAUL ROMEIS,
Stewardship Secretary

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

The work of the Women of the Church stressing Worship, Membership, Stewardship and Missions has found great favor in the sight of God. With abundant grace He has blessed their every effort and they have moved forward to a glorious realization of their ardent prayers.

The women of the Church, for many years have been the Mighty Right Arm of Synod and their efforts and their influence has been felt definitely throughout the territory. This year they concentrated on Home Missions and many things were made possible because of them, which otherwise would have been left undone. So Trusting the Lord they have fulfilled His last command to "Go."

In addition to the support of Missions both at home and abroad they have contributed liberally and substantially to the California Lutheran Home for the Aged, to the Pacific Lutheran Seminary and to Camp Yolijwa.

Other faithful women throughout the Church labor in many fields; the Sunday School, the Luther League and in Choirs, ever doing the one thing needful and your committee highly commends these loyal souls for their unfailing love of the Kingdom and the Master, their Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. HEINECKEN, Chairman
CLARENCE F. CROUSER.

PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Pastors and congregations continued to make generous use of teacher-training filmstrips and records in 1953, and fair use was made of the filmstrips designed to teach various age-levels how to use and study the Bible.

For the first time in our Synod, Vacation School Workshops were held—one at Grace Church, Alhambra, and one at First Church, Los Angeles. A fine staff of instructors took care of about 150 teachers of our various churches.

Quite the best attended conferences with a representative of the Board of Parish Education were held this year in our Synod. The Rev. George Ammon held 22 evening conferences on Bible teaching; to these evening conferences 65 of our cogregations sent 636 of their members. In addition to the evening conferences, Pastor Ammon conducted 18 informal meetings with church school staffs of specific congregations at dinner or supper meetings.

Plans for 1953 call for possibly as many as twelve 2-day Vacation Church School Workshops distributed at key points throughout Synod, under the personal direction of a specialist of the Parish Education Board.

The regular Fall itinerary of a Board Representative calls for his visiting perhaps 15 of our congregations which will have indicated their desire to have him come there for the purpose of evaluating what their congregations are now doing in Parish Education, and working out steps for improvement of the same. In other words, the pattern followed in the past several years will not be employed this year, but emphasis will definitely be upon help for specific congregations in the field of Parish Education. We welcome the change.

Three congregations of the Synod are carrying on the Children of the Church program. These congregations are: Faith, Phoenix; St. John's, Sacramento; and St. Matthew's, North Hollywood. Together they have contributed $176.45 which amount was sent to the Office of Synod. Mrs. Edward N. Spirer is the Synodical Treasurer of the Children of the Church.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE

The California Synodical Luther League, under the aggressive leadership of Miss Beverly Forsberg, President, has shown both growth and strength in Kingdom building during the past year.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, was host to the sixth annual convention over last Labor Day week-end. The attendance at this convention was the highest ever recorded, enthusiasm was high, and our hosts left nothing to be desired in the way of hospitality and entertainment.

The following officers were elected at Long Beach: Mike Schon, President; Marline Calif, Vice President; Joyce Lampe, Recording Secretary; Marian Gercke, Corresponding Secretary; Robert Nelson, Treasurer.

Again this year the California Synod League was the first of the various synod leagues to meet its financial obligations to the Luther League of America, and its special projects amounting to over $550.00.

The elected and appointed officers are busy organizing and encouraging on the local league level. District and smaller area rallies are encouraged.

Grace Lutheran Church, Richmond, California, will entertain the next convention over the coming Labor Day week-end. This convention, as well as the full league program, is commended to every league and pastor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted

W. H. BLOUGH

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE

Interest in the Luther League program of the church continues to gain momentum as has been evidenced at the Southern District Rallies of the past year. An excellent corps of Leaguers was again elected to the executive committee to spearhead the League activities for the year. Allan Roget is serving as president, Andrea Blough as vice-president, Ima Williamson as recording secretary, Carleen Schutz as corresponding secretary, and Steve Saunders, Jr., as treasurer. Under the sincere leadership of these officers the Southern District moves forward. They are visiting churches in the area to strengthen existing leagues and to aid in the establishment of new leagues.

The leaguers have shown definite interest in the work of the larger church too: $130 was sent to the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary at Berkeley, and $100 was given toward the California Synodical League apportionment for the year. Much interest has also been manifested in Camp Yolijwa.

Because of the increasing numbers attending rallies, the problem of finding host churches to accommodate the District becomes more acute. We hope our churches will keep this need in mind as they make plans for the future expansion of their church plants. We must keep our youth in our church.

On behalf of the Southern District we wish to thank all pastors, advisors, and congregations for the fine interest and cooperation shown. We prayerfully seek your continued support in the advancing program of the youth in our church.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MEYER

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

An enthusiastic Luther League Rally was held on January 4th at 2:00 p.m. at the new Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary with 128 in attendance. The Rev. Albert Hidy and the Rev. Milus Bonker briefly addressed the Leaguers; then followed a most interesting discussion tour of the Seminary.

Following the Rally, the Executive Committee met and tentative plans were made for a Spring Convention to be held May 29th and 30th—the place to be announced later.

Activities are being planned for this year and it is our prayer that all Pastors, League Advisors and Churches will give their whole support to these activities.

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. ALBERT S. HIDY

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

The Women's Fellowship is entering its seventh year of service for the California Lutheran Home and can look back upon a year filled with service and fulfillment, through the rich blessings of our Lord and Saviour.

A fine growth in Membership and increased interest has been witnessed throughout the Fellowship. All chapters work under a unified program, that of bringing spiritual and material aid to our needy aged and to render helpful service to the California Lutheran Home.

The Synodical Director correlates the work of the Chapters and promotes its extension.

The congregational key women exercise an active and important part in promoting the work in all the congregations of Synod.

The greatest event of this year for the Fellowship was the Springtime Festival on May 25th at the Home, when the dedication of the New Rest Cottage took place. At this same time the installation of The Rev. O. W. Ebright, D.D. as Executive Director of the Home, and the burning of the Mortgage of the Home made it a triple milestone in the annals of the Home. This great occasion was attended by over 400 people who participated in this momentous event.

The Women's Fellowship contributed a total of $1,828.63 to the furnishings of the Rest Cottage. In addition to this, the Fellowship made contributions to the Building Fund of the Rest Cottage and to the general maintenance of the Home in the total sum of $6,607.71.

This was accomplished through memberships, memorials, special ingatherings, and many wondeful gifts which are gratefully acknowledged.

Mrs. Carsten N. Alm, Synodical Memorial Chairman, reports a total of $1,442.75 in memorials for the year. Truly a beautiful garden of "Spiritual Bouquet" offerings for the Home. Memorial plaques for the Chapters and for individuals have been purchased and placed in the Rest Cottage.

Under the sponsorship of the Fellowship the Harvest Ingathering was held again this year in November, with an overwhelming response. It has been evaluated that over $2,100.00 in cash and foods was brought in to help stock the larder of the Home.

The Los Angeles Chapter continues to maintain a $500.00 Emergency Fund for the Home.

Many Societies and Organizations have held their meetings at the Home throughout the year, for the cheer and happiness of the guests. there. This is arranged through the L. A. Chapter Promotional Chairman, Mrs. J. P. Beasom. All holidays and many other special occasions have been recognized with treats, favors and entertainment. Through this active and important work, Christmas has been fully brought to the Home with the season's message in beautiful programs, and gifts for all.

The following Chapers have held significant meetings this past year:

San Diego held a well attended membership tea in St. Peter's By-The-Sea on June 26th. Mrs. A. G. Dentman was the speaker.

The Bay Area Chapter held a Harvest Luncheon in St. Michael's Church, Berkeley, November 13th, with Dr. O. W. Ebright as the speaker. A large group representing all their congregations was in attendance.

Los Angeles Chapter has set its Annual Membership Luncheon date for February 10th. It will be held in Glendale at the Y.W.C.A.

The Valley Chapter will hold its Annual Membership Luncheon Meeting on January 22nd at Riverside.

The "Sunset Herald" with Mrs. Charles Izenour as its able Editor, again this year has given the Fellowship a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge its memorials and gifts and to promote the work in general through its pages. Again we wish to extend to Mrs. Izenour our deep and heartfelt thanks for this fine service.

The Women's Fellowship has been greatly inspired and stimulated by the fine council of Dr. O. W. Ebright, Executive Director of the Home, and wishes to extend to him its gratitude and thanks.

It is through the labors of the many who have so loyally served, whose prayers and gifts have made it possible, that I with gratitude and thanks can submit this fine report of our progress in furthering the work of the Kingdom in this particular field.

May God continue to bless our work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. DORCAS T DENTMAN, Director

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

The past year has been one of many activities from a standpoint of public relations.

Perhaps one of the most outstanding events in which your committee chairman and other members of the United Lutheran Church participated was the Five-Synod Convention held earlier in the year.

On this occasion, the five Church bodies set aside a small sum for publicity and advertising activities. With it a job was done under the able chairmanship of Rev. Walter Mees.

The chairman's advertising agency had the privilege of preparing a special half-hour radio program in transcription form. This program dramatized the importance of giving—and centered its emphasis on the giving of clothing to the needy and the donation of blood to our fighting forces.

Participating in the program were film actors and actresses Don DeFore, Gale Storm, Francis Pierlot and Jeanne Baird, all outstanding name personalities whose services were obtained free.

The script was written by a talented dramatic writer, Charles R. Purnell. Over thirty stations used this half-hour show—some of them repeating it several times.

We feel that the program did a lot of god, as it highlighted activities of the Lutheran Church in several fields and stressed the Church's interest, not only regionally and nationally, but on a world wide scale.

Some of the other functions at this special Synodical Convention were the numerous stories that appeared in dozens of newspapers throughout the West.

Cards on Los Angeles busses also were used to publicize the event.

A huge scrapbook was prepared to show the many activities, stories, radio releases and other services performed—a display which made an impression on and was commended by leaders in the many organizations that took part.

During the past twelve months, we have had the opportunity of supplying the newspaper material to several of our pastors. It is the writer's belief that it might be worth the Synod's consideration to have prepared a group of appropriate newspaper advertisements, that could be supplied in mat form to the various churches.

These could be so designed that they would leave space for an illustration of the individual church, using it together with room in which to print a signature or to insert a special signature cut.

In like manner, quite a few of our churches are located in cities where brief radio announcements might be useful. We would be happy to prepare such announcements relating to services or other special events for any pastor who may care to write us.

Here is a suggestion that might be worth while for some of the churches. In your town or locality there doubtless is one or more colleges with a journalism or advertising course. You will find students in these colleges anxious and eager to help on a publicity or advertising program.

We think that in a number of cases this might be worth considering, because it will bring the Church to the attention of a group of young people—and it will give you a continuous program of advertising and public relations.

We need hardly add that we believe continuity is probably the most important factor in your public relations.

During the course of 1952, it was also our privilege to work with Rev. Paul Valentiner in the preparation of his two fine printed pieces, namely: "Seventy Prayer Powered Days" and "El Camino Real—A Decade of Development in the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California."

Another project on which we worked was the folder prepared for Dr. Ebright of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged in Alhambra.

On several of these projects much credit should go to Virgil Morgan, Art Director of the Associated Advertising Agency, who contributed a great deal to the appearance of printed literature.

Another tireless worker was Rupert Arnold, who helped considerably with Mr. Purnell on publicity and other writing.

In Closing

I would like to call special attention to television.

It is a powerful public relations force which the Church should be using.

Several of our United Lutheran Churches have appeared during the past year on the Inglewood Cemetery program. I know that this has done some good and has had far-reaching results.

However, the possibilities are so wonderful because, as a church organization, we would be given a certain amount of time free—provided we were organized to offer it.

The Federal Communications Commission requires of each T.V. and radio station a certain amount of time to be devoted to religious broadcasts and telecasts.

It would be a wise move if we would set ourselves up to capitalize on this opportunity during 1953.

Respectfully submitted,
P. O. NARVESON, Chairman

The Necrologist of the Synod, The Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D., then held a Memorial Service for The Rev. Otto Becker, The Rev. Charles W. Maggart, D.D., The Rev. Richard Warren Mottern, Litt.D., and Martha A. Noel.

Following the service, a delicious dinner was served by the women of Grace Church.

SIXTH SESSION

January 28, 1953 — 7:30 P. M.

The sixth session opened with devotions under the leadership of the Chaplain.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D., presented the fourth in his series of Lectures on the theme "Problem of Plural Culture."

Motion was made and seconded that recommendation No. 1 in the Report of the Faith and Life Committee be adopted.

The motion was tabled.

Motion was made and seconded that Budget A be adopted.

Motion was made that any surplus beyond the stated items be paid to The United Lutheran Church in America as additional benevolence.

The motion was carried.

Budget A was adopted.

PROPOSED BUDGET — A
OF
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

For the Calendar Year 1953

1. APPORTIONMENT—		
THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA		$ 85,503.00
California Synod's share of the ULCA Apportionment to Synods—Minimum goal for Benevolence Giving in the United Lutheran Church $5,232,400.00.		
2. PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY		25,500.00
Contributions toward salaries of Professors, maintenance and upkeep of the Seminary.		
3. MIDLAND COLLEGE		5,500.00
Contributions toward the operating expenses of the College.		
4. YOUTH CAMPING		6,191.00
Contributions to meet the Camping deficit for 1952	$ 1,000.00	
Transportation allowances during Camping Season	765.00	
Contributions toward publicity costs and operational expenses	3,000.00	
Contributions toward salary of Camp Director	1,320.00	
Pension and insurance contributions	106.00	
	$ 6,191.00	

5. INTER-SYNODICAL and INTER-DENOMINATIONAL		1,225.0
Welfare Councils	$ 600.00	
Sequoia Park Church	50.00	
Yosemite Park Church	75.00	
Western Lutheran Magazine Publication	50.00	
Lutheran Student Foundation—North	150.00	
Lutheran Student Foundation—South	150.00	
Lutheran Student Foundation—Hawaii & Arizona	150.00	
	$ 1,225.00	
6. HOME MISSIONS		15,000.0
The costs of developing new missions, survey expenses, Pastoral supply, grants and allowances for the acquisition of Chapel buildings and parsonages, interest on loans and temporary financing costs, taxes and insurance on properties, parsonage rentals, supplies.		
7. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION		3,000.0
Aid to Ministerial students attending Colleges and Seminaries.		
8. THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME		1,200.0
Contributions toward operating costs of the Home for Aged.		
9. CONVENTIONS		7,000.0
Travel expenses to and from Synod Conventions for lay and clergy delegates	3,000.00	
Other Convention expenses—printing and postage, secretarial and clerical expenses	1,500.00	
Minutes of Synod—printing and mailing	1,500.00	
ULCA Convention expense—per diem allowance for delegates attending ULCA Biennial Convention	1,000.00	
	$ 7,000.00	
10. COMMITTEES		4,000.0
Travel and hotel expense of members of Executive Committee attending the regular & special meetings	$ 1,500.00	
Other Committees—Travel and meetings expense of various Committees—Faith and Life, Stewardship, Ministerial Education, Examining, Statistician, Auditing, etc.	1,500.00	
Emergency needs	1,000.00	
	$ 4,000.00	
11. OFFICE AND TRAVEL EXPENSES		13,750.0
Golden State Lutheran—printing and mailing	$ 1,200.00	
Office rent and utilities	1,800.00	
Telephone	600.00	
Postage and express	500.00	
Office supplies and expense	900.00	
Expenses of travel—President	4,750.00	
Expenses of travel—Ass't. to President	1,500.00	
Other travel expenses	2,500.00	
	$13,750.00	
12. CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION		Non
This Division is self-supporting and receives no assistance from the Synod Budget except the Administrative services of the President of Synod. The Director's Salary is paid from the operating receipts. The Division also shares in hte costs of the office overhead and expense, secretarial, clerical, accounting, etc.		

3. ADMINISTRATIVE FUND

FOR OPERATING THE PROGRAM OF SYNOD		18,580.00
President, Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.		
Salary	$ 5,800.00	
Residence allowance	1,200.00	
Ass't. to President, Rev. H. Paul Romeis		
Salary	4,300.00	
Residence allowance	1,200.00	
Secretary, Rev. Paul H. Wolpert		
Salary allowance	250.00	
Treasurer, Carl A. Bell		
Salary allowance	None	
Comptroller, Wayne Pfundstein		
Salary allowance	900.00	
Office secretarial and clerical personnel salaries	3,800.00	
Pension, social security contributions and insurance	1,130.00	
	$18,580.00	
TOTAL BUDGET—A		$186,449.00

APPORTIONMENT TO CHURCHES

Proposed quota of giving from churches based on an estimate of 18,000 Communing members at $10.75 per member	$193,500.00

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the Synod instruct the Executive Committee to explore the possibility of engaging a Youth Worker and report back to the next Convention.

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Committee on Constitutions be adopted. Motion was carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS

We have reviewed the revised Constitution of Midland College, as requested, and:

We recommend that Synod approve this Constitution.

We have reviewed the Constitutions of the following congregations:

Gloria Dei Ev. Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California.
Shepherd-of-the-Hills Ev. Lutheran Church, Berkeley, California.
Mount of Olives Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona.

and find them to be based upon the model constitution for congregations of the ULCA

We recommend that, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod, these constitutions be approved and the congregations be admitted into membership of Synod.

This Committee received a Memorial from the Hollywood Lutheran Church concerning certain aspects of the proposed provision in our Synodical Constitution. The Memorial and other correspondence are submitted to your committee along with this report.

Inasmuch as the resolution merely requests "the charitable consideration of Synod to a revision or repeal . . ." and the features to which they refer have been well covered in Art. 10, Par. 4 and Art. 11, Par. 4 of Sec. 2, of the proposed revision, we recommend that the Chairman of the Constitutions Committee shall be instructed to give an official reply to the Hollywood Lutheran Church expressing appreciation for their interest and concern and quoting the proposed revisions in the form in which they may pass this meeting of Synod.

This committee has made a careful study of the final revision of the proposed revision of the Constitution of Synod. We find it embodies all of the features of previous discussions and alterations either necessary or very desirable and to be in harmony with the ULCA's model constitution for Synods.

We recommend that the word "it" on page 24, paragraph 3, line 7, second word, be changed to "the committee of investigation" as a matter of clarity in interpreting procedure.

We recommend that, with this one change, the constitution as submitted to this Convention of Synod shall be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. A. J. SOLDAN, D.D.
MR. PAUL BRECKENRIDGE

REV. FREDERICK A. SMITH, Th.D.,
Chairman The Committee on Constitutons

Motion prevailed that the Constitution and By-Laws of the First English Lutheran Church of Glendale be placed in the Archives of Synod.

Motion was adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that recommendation No. 3 in the Report of the Executive Committee be adopted.

Motion prevailed that we approve the change in name of the Synod to "The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific South West" and that this be incorporated in Article I in the new Constitution.

Motion prevailed that the alternate form for the Executive Board be incorporated in the new Constitution.

Motion was made and seconded that a Committee be appointed, made up of men who have had experience in other Synods, to study the problem of nominations and prepare a By-Law creating a Nominating Committee, for submission to the next Convention.

The motion was carried.

The Committee on elections presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

Elections 62nd Annual Convention—California Synod—Richmond
Secretary—Pastor Paul Wolpert
Treasurer—Mr. Carl Bell
Statistician—Pastor Henry Scherer
Archivist—Dr. John Edward Hoick

Board of Directors — California Lutheran Home

3 required: Mrs. Carsten Alm
Pastor Carl Moyer
Mr. Howard Weisman

Board of Directors — Pacific Lutheran Seminary

1 required: Mr. Howard Logan

Executive Committee

1 Clergy — North: Pastor Robert Romeis

2 Laymen — North: Mr. Leo Johnston
Mr. Albert Gercke

Board of Directors — Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation

3 YEAR TERM — Clergy — Pastor Quentin Garman, Pastor David Robison
Layman — Mrs. Robert Inslee, Mr. Robert Brammer

2 YEAR TERM — Clergy — Pastor George Spindt, Pastor F. W. Heinecken
Layman — Mrs. Arthur Alm

1 YEAR TERM — Clergy — Pastor Glen Balsley
Layman — Mr. Albert Anspach

Submitted by,
Election Committee
JOHN P. STUMP
ED R. ANDERSEN
KENNETH HARTZHEIM
JOHN STEINHAUS

Motion prevailed that a Committee on Nominations be appointed for the year 1954.

Minutes of the fifth session were approved as mimeographed and distributed.

A motion that the Constitution presented at this Convention be subsituted for the Constitution presented in the 1951 Convention was made, seconded, and carried.

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be empowered to make a change to our Charter of the name and the seal of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California using the new name of the Synod.

Motion prevailed that item 12 of the Executive Committee Supplementary Recommendations be referred to the Executive Committee for restudy and inclusion in the By-Laws.

Motion prevailed that the paragraph in the Executive Committee's Report, page 29 of the Convention Bulletin, beginning with the words "in accordance with the action of the 1951 Convention" be deleted from the Report.

Motion was made and seconded that recommendation No. 10 in the Report to the Executive Committee be deleted.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 13 in the Supplementary Recommendations of the Executive Committee be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that we strike the words "to enable him and his wife to make the trip abroad as formerly voted by the Synod."

The motion prevailed that action on item 13 be deferred until tomorrow morning session.

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Laymen be adopted.

REPORT OF LAYMEN'S MEETING

1. **Lay Program of Synod**

   We ask that Synod and each pastor give their fullest support to recommendation No. 3 of the Faith and Life Committee regarding the acceleration of the Laymen's Program, and that the special laymen committee appointed by the Executive Board to promote this work be given every encouragement and support in their effort to increase lay participation in the work of our church.

2. **Elections**

   We ask that nominations for all elective offices be made within each Conference and the names of the nominees be presented to the Synodical Convention in ballot form.

LEO JOHNSTON

Motion prevailed that we express our appreciation for the laymen in their part in the work of Synod.

Motion prevailed that the Report on the Special Churches be adopted.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL CHURCHES

Your committee begs to report that to the best of our knowledge we have at present four congregations in our synod using both the German and the English language. Three of these congregations, St. Paul's, Fresno, Wartburg, Fresno and St. Paul's, Canger consist of members that are Wolga German people. They immigrated into this country around the beginning of this century. St. Matthews, San Francisco deals with people of German origin. For the first three decades of these churches German was largely used. Since about 1925 the English language was introduced and regular services in German and English are held every Sunday. Sunday schools, Luther Leagues and all meetings with the younger generation are conducted in English. Three churches use the weekly duplex envelope system and all four congregations make their contributions to the benevolent purposes of the church at large.

Pastor Claus, St. Paul's, Fresno offered his church to the displaced families in his area. Services are conducted there by D.P. pastors in their respective languages. St. Matthews, San Francisco reports a strong increase in attendance due to the fact that many German families came to this country after the end of World War II.

Your committee suggests to commend these pastors for their fine work preaching the gospel to them that could not be reached otherwise and request them to give their fullest attention to the younger generaion so that a change will gradually be completed and the English language used.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE

Motion prevailed that the Report of Trailer Ministry be adopted.

REPORT OF TRAILER MINISTRY

The year 1952 was a fruitful one for this ministry. The following is a list of the activities and the progress made:

1. Eight mountain communities were served, namely, Sutter Creek, Jackson, West Point, Pioneer, Foresthill, Applegate, Somerset and Yankee Jim's.

2. A total of 715 different children were reached through Sunday Schools and Daily Vacation Bible Schools.

3. From June to August in an extensive Vacation Bible School program, 450 children were reached in four schools totaling 40 days of classes. Many of these children had never before attended either Vacation Bible School or Sunday School. Three Luther Leaguers volunteered to devote their summer to assisting in this program. Our sincere thanks to Miss Joyce Lampe, Phoenix, Ariz.; Miss Ardyce Meyer, Scribner, Nebr.; and Mr. Norris Frohow, Fresno, Calif.

4. This past year we brought the Gospel to a school of handicapped children in Applegate. Their problems included all manner of mental and physical handicaps which required a specialized Sunday School and Daily Vacation Bible School program.

5. While carrying on this summer program, regular services and Sunday Schools were held weekly in three communities.

6. The communities served are mostly isolated lumber camps and since the lumber industry is seasonal, the people are almost totally migratory. In most communities we have a seasonal turnover of close to 100% yearly. Permanent organization under these circumstances is impossible. Therefore, this ministry cannot become self-supporting in the foreseeable future. However, plans are now afoot to relieve the Synod of some of the financial burden of this mission project.

7. We have traveled on the average of 500 miles per week the past year, bringing the total mileage since the beginning in August, 1951, to 55,400 miles.

Our sincere thanks to the Synod and Board of American Missions for the financial support of this ministry.

As we look back upon the past year we are more convinced than ever that this is indeed the work of Christ. It is taking Christ at His word, truly leaving the 99 and going in search of the one lost sheep.

Respectfully submitted,
PASTOR CHARLES J. CLARK

Motion prevailed that the Report of the U.L.C.A. Delegates be adopted.

REPORT OF THE U.L.C.A. CONVENTION DELEGATES

The 18th Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America was held in Seattle, Washington, October 8-15, 1952. The sixteen elected delegates of the California Synod attended all of the sessions; in addition, many of our pastors and laymen were present as visitors. Because so many from Synod were in attendance at Seattle and because the proceedings of the Convention were fully reported in "The Lutheran" and other papers, this report will highlight only the more significant actions in order to refresh your memory of them.

A total of 623 official delegates (314 clergymen, 309 laymen) and over 500 visitors attended this first convention West of the Rockies, plus representatives from the affiliated churches of India, Japan, British Guiana and Liberia. A new Synod, the Caribbean, was received, making a total of 34 Synods now members of the U.L.C.A.

Delegates returned to office by overwhelming majorities: Dr. Franklin C. Fry as President and Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz as Secretary; due to illness Dr. Reinartz was absent from the convention and his responsibilities were capably cared for by Dr. Dwight Putnam. Also by great majorities Dr. Edmund F. Wagner was chosen Treasurer and Dr. G. Elson Ruff editor of "The Lutheran." Of special interest to us of the California Synod was the reelection of our President, Dr. James P. Beasom, to the Board of American Missions; Dr. Theodore Bachmann, professor at Pacific Lutheran Seminary, to the Board of Deaconess Work; and The Rev. Valentine, Executive Director of our Seminary Campaign, to the Committee on Church Papers.

A great deal of debate and discussion, plus an informal public hearing, centered around the memorials from Synod on the use of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible in the stated lessons for the day. Finally by a vote of 343 to 198 the Common Service Book Committee was instructed" to request the Joint Commissions on the Liturgy and Hymnal to have printed in the new service book the text of the Revised Standard Version of the stated lessons for the day."

Two of the Boards had their legal names changed. The Board of Pensions and Relief will henceforth be known simply as the Board of Pensions; and the Parish and Church School Board becomes the Board of Parish Education. On the matter of pensions, two significant actions were taken; one insuring minimum annual pensions of $900.00 to retired or disabled pastors and missionaries, and $450.00 to widows; and the other raising the basis of Contributory Pensions from 4% to 8% of the total pastor's salary given by the congregation beginning January 1, 1954, the pastor's proportion remaining at 4%.

A far-reaching forward step was taken when the Convention unanimously accepted the thrilling and challenging opportunity for a new foreign mission field in Malaya. Thus our Church through its Board of Foreign Missions moves into an area inhabited by over 2 million Chinese at one of the world's most dangerous crossroads.

Celebrating its 25th anniversary, The Board of American Missions reported that in its first quarter-century it had helped to establish 1,060 congregations representing 300,000 of the U.L.C.A. confirmed membership. During the past two years 173 home mission fields were surveyed and studied, and 107 were approved for immediate occupancy; in addition, 20 older congregations were granted mission status. Fifty more new fiefds had been requested for survey this summer. During the biennium loans totaling over 3 million had been granted to assist in purchasing 78 lots and in building 71 churches and 18 house chapels. One hundred eight congregations were helped in securing parsonages. The urgent, pressing need for church expansion moved the delegates to endorse a large increase in funds to be made available for this work; and also later in the convention a resolution was passed calling on the Board to expand the Church Extension programs, to stimulate benevolence giving through special literature, and to consider whether a special church-wide appeal for church extension funds was necessary.

Budgets representing an annual increase of 14.7% over 1953 were adopted; $6,007,590 for 1945, and $6,013,090 for 1955.

The Tuesday night session heard the reports of the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran World Federation. In emotion-packed addresses Dr. J. Igor Bella, Dr. Stewart Herman, and Dr. Paul Empie spoke on conditions in Europe, behind the Iron Curtain, in Latin America, in Palestine, and around the world. Mr. A. N. Luedders of the German Relief Agency, Hilfswerk, Hoyer, Krumholtz, Knubel, Wentz, and the U.L.C.A. Lutheran World Action director, The Rev. Frank Brown. Referring to L.W.A. President Fry said, "With discouraging regularity we of the UL.C.A. have fallen short of our L.W.A. goal. This year we have the opportunity to do our full share and to meet our goal. It is my deepest prayer that we shall not fail."

Other Board reports and actions included: The circulation of The Lutheran increased from 85,000 to 114,000. Deaconnesses are permitted to serve either with or without the distinctive garb of their calling and under either a 'cooperative system' or on a 'salary basis'. Women's Missionary Society membership reached 103,903, an increase of 12,000; receipts totaled over 1½ millions, of which the U.L.C.A. Boards receive 87%. CHEY receipts stood at $6,400,000 of the 7½ millions pledged. A commission of 16 to be appointed to survey and study the U.L.C.A. structural organization and report in 1954. Thorough study of participation of ordained men in Social Security was assigned to Board of Social Missions. Lutheran Laymen's Movement membership passed the 1300 mark at convention, still shots from the Martin Luther film were reviewed, and a film on Christian tithing was promised for 1953. A statement on the doctrine of the ministry adopted as a guide to the Church will encourage common standards for pastoral status among synods. Toronto, Canada, was selected as the site for the 1954 convention.

As was to be expected, some of the most inspiring moments of the convention came during the services and the special events. The impressive opening Communion Service and Dr. Fry's searching sermon on the text, "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind"; together with the daily devotional message of Convention Chaplain Harold R. Albert will be long remembered. The Lutheran Laymen's Movement Banquet, attended by over 1100

delegates and vistors, heard Mr. Everett Mitchell, nationally known N.B.C. radio personality and prominent Lutheran layman, and cheered the announcement of the first Everett Mitchell Stewardship of Life Award winners; Miss Eileen Kettler, of Milwaukee, Wisc., and Richard Shiffler, of Altoona, Pa. The Sunday afternoon presentation of the Parish and Church School Board, a dramatic musical parable "O Word of God," uniquely portrayed the Church's emphasis on the Bible in daily living and was witnessed by an overflow audience in the Metropolitan Theater. On Sunday night another overflow audience join ind a Youth night sponsored by the Luther League of America, and after a half-hour concert by the choir of Pacific Lutheran College, heard a panel of outstanding Lutherans representing labor, government, business, church, education, home, and military, answer pointed questions from a group of young people.

Respectfully submitted,
H. PAUL ROMEIS,
Chairman of Delegation

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Foreign Missions Committee be adopted.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Board of Foreign Missions continues to produce new and better moving pictures of our overseas fields to assist pastors in bringing a report to their congregations concerning the current work being done by our missionaries. Those unable to pay the stipulated rental charge may secure the films for a free-will offering. Write for a folder of available films.

The committee makes special appeal to the churches of synod to give the Epiphany Appeal a better response than in 1952. Only 22 pastors ordered the excellent material made available for the asking. It is not too late for your church school to make a gift or receive an offering toward the 1953 appeal to assist in building chapels in British Guiana.

It is our hope that more of our congregations and church schools will consider the support of missionaries or parishes abroad in entire or partial support. There are also opportunities of assisting our overseas fields with special projects from twenty-five dollars or higher. It will bring a blessing to your church school to have a special foreign missions project on its budget.

When was the last time you challenged one of your young people to consider full time work in one of our mission fields? The need is more critical than ever before and our board urges you to assist them in answering the call to "come over and help us." There is opportunity for many talents in many fields.

Call upon us for any assistance we can give you in keeping foreign missions work before your congregation.

The Rev. Gene Vosseler, son of our own Pastor Vosseler in San Diego has accepted a call to serve as a missionary in British Guiana.

Respectfully submitted,
MILUS W. BONKER, Chairman
CARL H. MOYER
WALTER M. RUCCIUS
GEORGE R. FLORA
DAVID E. ROBISON
L. G. GRAY

The Secretary of the Synod presented:

THE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is recommended that Synod authorize the Executive Committee to appoint an Assistant Secretary, who resides in the Los Angeles area, who will have authority to sign legal papers.
2. It is recommended that the President of Synod be authorized to appoint his Assistant, during his absence from the City, to sign legal papers.

3. It is recommended that the officers of Synod be constituted as the Trustees for the current year.
4. It is recommended that the Convention of Synod reconfirm its action at the last Convention of Synod, setting aside the period from Easter to Pentecost as a period of Crusade for Evangelism.
5. It is recommended that the calendar of causes be used in Synod and no funds shall be secured from congregations of Synod outside the period of the United Lutheran Church calendar of causes without special permission of the Executive Committee; that no agency shall have more than one month period in which to seek any funds from Synod.
6. It is recommended that the Convention reaffirm its stand on Apportionment, that the first and primary call for benevolent funds of the congregations shall be the apportionment of Synod.
7. It is recommended that the Synod in Convention express its sincere appreciation for the cooperation of the larger Church, especially the President of The United Lutheran Church, The Rev. Franklin Clark Fry; its Secretary, The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz; and all others associated in the Boards and Agencies of the Church.
8. It is further recommended that the Convention express its deep appreciation to the Editor of "The Lutheran," The Rev. Dr. G. Elson Ruff and his staff, for their continued service to this territory, as well as the whole Church, through the editorial columns of "The Lutheran" itself; and that this Convention express itself in a determined manner to bring "The Lutheran" as the religious paper in every household of every member of every congregation of Synod, and that the Committee on The Lutheran be given every encouragement to make this possible.
9. It is recommended that the Executive Committee be given the power to approve the minutes of the last session of this Convention, and a copy of such minutes be sent to each delegate, following the Convention.
10. Due to the early date of the Convention of Synod, it was not possible to have the books of Synod audited for this Convention. It is therefore recommended that the Executive Committee be empowered to have the books of Synod audited and the President of Synod be authorized to send the statement of the Auditing Committee to each Pastor and each congregation.
11. It has been the history of this Synod for the Executive Committee to be empowered to prepare the Budget for the coming year and present the Budget to the Conferences for study and to the Synod in Convention for final ratification. It is therefore the recommendation of the Executive Committee that Synod authorize the Executive Committee to prepare the Budget for 1954 for presentation to the Conferences of Synod, and for ratification at the 1954 Convention of Synod.
12. Your Executive Committee recommends that the following be substituted for recommendation 6 in the regular Report of the Executive Committee:

RULES GOVERNING PAYMENT OF TRAVEL EXPENSES OF DELEGATES

1. **Travel by train:**
   (a) Laymen: Regular round-trip railroad fare.
   (b) Clergymen: Regular round-trip railroad fare at clergy rates.
   (c) Pull fare: Standard rates for both laymen and clergymen where overnight travel is necessary. Pullman fare allowed will not exceed the cost of lower berth.
2. **Travel by bus:**
   (a) Laymen: Regular round-trip bus fare.
   (b) Clergymen: Regular round-trip bus fare.
3. **Travel by automobile:**
   (a) Laymen and Clergymen:
   An allowance will be made for automobile travel equal to a laymen's regular round-trip railroad fare plus pullman fare, or 7 cents per mile, whichever is the lesser amount.
   (b) Where two or more persons, whose travel expenses are to be allowed by the Synod, travel in the same automobile, the allowance of 7 cents per mile will be granted to only one person.

4. **Travel by plane:**

(a) Laymen and Clergymen:
An allowance will be made for airplane travel equal to a laymen's regular round-trip railroad fare plus pullman fare, or the airplane fare, whichever is the lesser amount.

13. In accordance with the action of the 1951 Convention of Synod, your Executive Committee granted a leave of absence to the President of Synod for three months following this Convention. Your Committee recommends to the Synod that he be given a grant of $4,000.00 to enable him and his wife to make the trip abroad, as formerly voted by the Synod, and that the Executive Committee be authorized to extend the leave of absence if the President of Synod should desire it.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

The motion prevailed that the recommendations in the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee be considered seriatim.

Items 1 through 10 were adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that item 11 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that it be amended to include the words "and a proposed Budget for 1955" after the words "for the coming year."

The amendment was lost.

The original motion was carried.

The session was adjourned at 11:45 p.m. with sincere prayer.

SEVENTH SESSION

January 29, 1953 — 9:00 a. m.

The seventh session was opened with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod on the theme "We Submit to Thee."

Minutes of the previous session were approved as distributed.

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Social Missions Committee be adopted and the recommendations considered seriatim.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

During the past year the Social Missions Committee of Synod has realized increasingly the value of the work being done by the Board of Social Missions of the ULCA as interpreted particularly through staff members Koch, Shearer and Letts.

Literature made available through the Board include a quarterly paper edited by Dr. Koch. Also available for use in our Churches has been a list of inexpensive literature as announced on page 80 and 81 of the ULCA Year Book. Our Pastors are urged to make liberal use of these materials.

A meeting of the entire Committee was held on May 5 at First Church, Los Angeles at which plans for the committee were outlined. The Chairman of your Committee also discussed various phases of the program for the Synod with Dr. Koch and Pastor Letts while at the ULCA Convention in Seattle.

Grants from the Synod of $300 for the Welfare Council of the North and $300 for the Council in the South are much appreciated. We recommend that brief oral reports from these two organizations be heard in connection with this year's Synod meeting. The Committee also recommends that the appreciation of the Synod be expressed to the Board of Social Missions of the ULCA for again granting aid for these two organizations.

The Board of Social Missions of the ULCA recently announced the holding of a School of Industrial Relations, June 8-12, 1953 on the campus of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Your committee recommends that there be at least one representative from our Synod at this School.

Respectfully submitted,
CLIFFORD B. HOLAND, Chairman

This Synod has approved the constitution of both of the Welfare Councils. It has appointed official representation to their boards, thus having a voice in the formulation of their policies. This means we have a moral obligation to support their programs in every respect, including the financial phase.

. We recommend that our congregations avail themselves of the services offered by these organizations, that they invite the representatives of the agencies to explain this program to them, and that they afford substantial financial support to the program.

. We recommend that the Synod pay the expenses for one member of the Social Missions Committee to attend the U.L.C.A. school on Industrial Relations at Muhlenberg College on June 8-12.

Motion was made and seconded that item 1 be adopted.

The Rev. Louis F. Mertz, Chairman of the Committee, presented The Rev. Frederick A. Smith, Executive Director for the Lutheran Welfare Council of Southern California; The Rev. Edward Matison, Executive Director for the Lutheran Welfare Council of Northern California; The Rev. Paul Wharton, Chaplain at the Lutheran Hospitals in Southern California; The Rev. Elwood Schwenk, Chaplain at the Veterans Hospital at Oakland.

Motion prevailed that the Synod instruct the Executive Committee to study the possibility of raising the support of the Synod to the Welfare Councils of Northern and Southern California to $1,200 each in the 1954 Budget of the Synod.

Item 2 was adopted:

The report as a whole was adopted.

Motion prevailed that The Rev. George Flora be granted the privilege of the floor for two minutes.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

General Fund
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$ 72,920.50	
Notes and loans receivable	41,108.30	
Trust Deed Note receivable	1,956.50	$115,985.30
Fixed Assets		
Furniture and equipment		2,231.69
Mission Properties		
Cost of parsonages and lots	48,524.79	
Less property obligations	40,671.69	7,853.10
Other Assets		
Deposits	425.00	
Blue Cross and pension advances	204.45	
Stationery and office supplies	848.46	1,477.91
		$127,548.00

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Current Liabilities		
Notes payable	$ 69,099.06	
Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal	32,879.25	
Lutheran World Action	565.46	
Benevolences undistributed	1,875.85	
Withholding and payroll taxes	508.21	$104,927.83
Designated Reserves		20,153.91
Operations Reserve		2,466.26
		$127,548.00

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Designated Reserves
December 31, 1952

	Jan 1, 1952	Receipts	Disbursements	Dec. 31, 1952
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	$	$ 1,339.13	$	$ 1,339.13
Annual Theological Lectures	600.00		75.00	525.00
Home Mission Reserve A	2,835.11	2,954.26	5,789.37	
Home Mission Reserve B	14,693.32	23.00	150.00	14,566.32
Convention Reserves	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Camp Yolijwa Reserve	4,000.00	150.00	4,150.00	
Contingencies (1951) operations)	2,500.00		2,500.00	
Trailer Ministry		4,715.57	4,715.57(1)	
Seminary Book Reserve		2,078.50	2,073.50	5.00
Seminary Chair		2,500.00		2,500.00
Special Reserve	635.19	1,299.42	1,200.00	734.61
Special Relief Fund	462.23	246.62	225.00	483.85
	$26,725.85	$15,306.50	$21,878.44	$20,153.91

(1) Amount absorbed by Home Mission Reserve $ 2,696.43
Receipts from Trailer Ministry and B.A.M. 2,019.14

$ 4,715.57

Operations Reserve

Balance — January 1, 1952	$ 1,502.33
Add Reserve for contingencies — 1951 operation carry over	2,500.00
	4,002.33
Deduct Operation Deficit — 1952	1,536.07
Balance — December 31, 1952	$ 2,466.26

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Work of the Larger Church and Operations
Year ended December 31, 1952

Receipts			
Apportionment			$168,220.74
Dusbursements			
	Budget	Actual	
U.L.C.A. Apportionment	$ 79,633.00	$ 79,633.00	
Midland College	5,500.00	5,500.00	
Central Lutheran Theological Seminary	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary	16,500.00	16,500.00	
Lutheran Welfare Councils	600.00	600.00	
Park Churches	125.00	125.00	
Synod Missions	17,950.00	22,471.56*	
Church Conventions	6,900.00	8,102.75*	
General operations	8,450.00	9,863.39*	
Office expenses	26,016.00	25,961.11*	
Total disbursements	$162,674.00		169,756.81
Operation deficit for the year 1952			$ 1,536.07

*See Analysis of Disbursements

ANALYSIS OF DISBURSEMENTS
Year ended December 31, 1952

	Budget	Actual
Synod Missions		
Home Missions	$ 10,000.00	$ 14,523.35
The California Lutheran Home	2,200.00	2,200.00
Ministerial Education	2,000.00	2,138.21
Youth Camping	3,750.00	3,610.00
	$ 17,950.00	$ 22,471.56

onventions		
Delegate expenses	$ 2,800.00	$ 3,086.51
Other Convention expenses	1,500.00	2,741.24
Convention Minutes	1,400.00	1,400.00
U.L.C.A. Convention expenses	900.00	600.00
Combined Synod Convention expenses	300.00	275.00
	$ 6,900.00	$ 8,102.75
perational Expenses		
Golden State Lutheran	$ 1,000.00	$ 982.40
Contingent Fund	4,000.00	5,525.35
Executive Committee	1,500.00	1,808.21
Other Committees	1,600.00	1,135.67
Statistician expense	100.00	161.76
Secretary of Synod	250.00	250.00
	$ 8,450.00	$ 9,863.39
ffice Expenses		
Salary of President	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,000.00
Expenses of the office of President	4,750.00	4,750.00
Pension and insurance	316.00	536.00
Office rent and utilities	1,800.00	1,800.00
Staff salaries and expense	10,900.00	9,992.62
Office expenses	1,250.00	1,882.49
	$ 26,016.00	$ 25,961.11

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND RECEIPTS FOR THE HOME MISSION BUDGET
Year ended December 31, 1952

Mission assistance and development		$ 2,136.60
Supplies used by Mission Churches		2,164.53
Assistance for specific purposes		5,480.82
Parsonage operations		1,865.18
Survey costs		1,519.83
Pastor supply and salary aid		4,484.29
Interest on interim loan financing		2,021.02
Scholarships for students from Hawaii attending Midland College		2,000.00
Trailer Ministry		2,696.43
		$ 24,368.70
eceipts		
Women's Missionary Society	$ 5,789.37	
Interest	284.02	
Rental allowances	3,693.75	
Miscellaneous	78.21	9,845.35
		$ 14,523.35

STATISTICS OF TOTAL BENEVOLENCE GIVING

Year	Members	Benevolence Dollars	Per Member
1942	5,650	$ 31,425.52	$ 5.56
1943	5,857	39,189.99	6.67
1944	6,582	58,934.06	8.98
1945	7,713	66,537.81	8.62
1946	8,990	110,755.72	12.32
1947	10,775	103,437.07	9.60
1948	12,575	124,893.28	9.90
1949	13,436	141,429.01	10.51
1950	14,519	199,284.68	13.70
1951	15,783	190,544.63	12.10
1952	16,960	291,859.25	17.20

These figures include all monies received through the Synod office for all Benevolence causes.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA
GENERAL FUND

Apportionment, Lutheran World Action, Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal, and other Benevolences from Churches

City Church	Apportionment	PerCent	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Others	Total
Alhambra, Grace	$ 2,380.64	85	$ —	$ 1,704.10	$ 160.00	$ 4,244.74
Alhambra, Our Saviour's	672.00	100	87.00	717.50	57.45	1,533.95
Altadena, Altadena	1,910.12	111	317.73	1,623.10	1.00	3,851.95
Azusa, Calvary	310.30	80	52.00	—	—	362.30
Baldwin Park, Ascension	840.00	100	109.00	163.71	—	1,112.71
Berkeley, Shepherd-of-the-Hills	159.05	100	50.00	50.00	—	259.05
Berkeley, St. Michael's	2,724.50	100	521.20	2,632.15	—	5,877.85
Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills	1,776.00	100	—	—	—	1,776.00
Burbank, Luther Memorial	1,596.00	100	—	—	—	1,596.00
Central Valley, St. James'	196.20	109	10.02	—	2.50	208.72
Culver City, Grace	1,920.00	101	247.50	500.00	—	2,667.50
El Monte, Redeemer	548.33	100	110.73	27.45	—	686.51
Fresno, Faith	708.00	100	24.20	1,179.50	—	1,911.70
Fresno, First	2,345.95	100	320.00	3,468.25	—	6,134.20
Fresno, St. Paul's	1,452.00	100	—	260.00	—	1,712.00
Fresno, Wartburg	300.00	100	39.00	368.75	—	707.75
Gardena, St. John's	1,006.49	101	229.00	1,320.00	50.00	2,605.49
Glendale, First	10,356.00	103	1,309.00	2,200.00	1,387.25	15,252.25
Globe, St. Paul's	330.00	100	47.00	62.00	—	439.00
Hollywood, Hollywood	4,437.02	87	111.70	2,000.00	200.00	6,748.72
Honolulu, Honolulu	1,372.00	101	174.00	94.78	2.00	1,642.78
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	336.00	100	50.00	—	—	386.00
Honolulu, St. Paul's	696.00	100	91.00	511.11	12.00	1,310.11
Huntington Park, St. Luke's	3,672.00	100	519.03	267.00	200.00	4,658.03
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	4,442.00	100	—	—	—	4,442.00
La Canada, Foothills	1,568.98	100	275.10	560.00	75.00	2,479.08
Las Vegas, Reformation	$ 344.02	102	$ 114.00	$ 397.00	$ —	$ 855.02

Church	Apportionment	PerCent	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Others	Total
Lihue, Lihue	385.00	100	—	—	—	385.00
Long Beach, Faith	767.47	101	113.63	493.65	37.29	1,412.04
Long Beach, Lakewood	1,596.00	100	207.00	500.00	85.00	2,388.00
Long Beach, Trinity	5,388.00	100	701.00	9,171.78	530.00	15,790.78
Long Beach, Gloria Dei	60.25	100	—	—	—	60.25
Los Angeles, Advent	3,276.00	100	426.62	2,365.87	314.51	6,383.00
Los Angeles, Bethany	504.00	100	—	131.00	—	635.00
Los Angeles, First	9,000.00	100	1,200.00	10,000.00	760.00	20,960.00
Los Angeles, Peace	38.41	100	—	—	—	38.41
Los Angeles, St. Mark's	996.00	100	140.00	1,190.10	51.01	2,377.11
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	1,216.54	88	60.01	354.11	—	1,630.66
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	852.00	100	13.30	—	—	865.30
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	1,452.00	120	183.00	768.20	82.55	2,485.75
Norco, Bethany	300.00	100	66.25	272.00	—	638.25
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's	3,672.00	100	562.12	3,557.90	90.00	7,882.02
Oakland, First	2,748.00	100	358.00	646.85	355.00	4,107.85
Oakland, St. John's	1,208.00	100	30.50	904.75	65.70	2,208.95
Pasadena, Trinity	4,296.00	100	823.40	6,729.25	343.40	12,192.05
Phoenix, Faith	5,016.00	100	1,029.84	401.50	275.00	6,722.34
Phoenix, Grace	9,456.00	100	1,230.00	2,000.00	—	12,686.00
Pomona, Trinity	1,046.00	100	139.00	—	—	1,185.00
Redding, United	426.00	109	49.73	404.00	—	879.73
Redlands, First	948.00	100	144.00	420.00	35.85	1,547.85
Redwood City, Messiah	523.00	109	62.00	—	—	585.00
Reno, Good Shepherd	1,236.00	100	—	—	—	1,236.00
Richmond, Harbor Gate	504.00	100	65.00	399.86	25.00	993.86
Richmond, Grace	5,640.00	100	983.77	1,935.26	516.11	9,075.14
Richmond, St. James'	680.00	72	123.00	465.00	25.00	1,293.00
Riverside, Trinity	2,233.00	100	—	1,521.86	—	3,754.86
Sacramento, St. John's	$ 8,806.08	102	$ 1,444.55	$ 6,401.61	$ 5.00	$ 16,657.24
Sacramento, St. Paul's	691.00	101	90.00	824.50	—	1,605.50
San Bernardino, First	2,784.00	100	362.98	792.00	9.35	3,948.33
San Diego, Christ	2,820.00	100	375.00	1,800.00	135.00	5,130.00
San Diego, First	3,324.00	100	432.00	2,291.86	5.00	6,052.86

City Church	Apportionment	PerCent	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Others	Total
San Diego, St. Peter's	1,152.00	100	80.48	127.56	25.00	1,385.04
San Fernando, St. Mark's	1,116.10	100	—	—	5.00	1,121.10
San Francisco, First	936.00	100	—	325.00	—	1,261.00
San Franisco, St. Mark's	3,504.00	100	400.31	2,587.21	214.49	6,706.01
San Francisco, St. Matthew's	1,320.00	100	178.00	1,312.00	50.00	2,860.00
San Francisco, Temple	1,000.08	100	—	665.30	—	1,665.38
Sanger, St. Paul's	456.00	100	58.00	94.00	24.09	632.09
San Jose, Bethany	828.00	100	51.65	128.25	5.41	1,013.31
San Jose, Grace	1,945.57	100	—	2,200.00	55.00	4,200.57
San Leandro, Epiphany	2,016.00	100	34.83	1,341.05	—	3,391.88
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	2,400.00	100	480.00	2,546.90	—	5,426.90
Santa Ana, United	948.00	100	123.00	—	33.52	1,104.52
Santa Barbara, Grace	1,605.01	119	217.00	1,595.50	188.71	3,606.22
Santa Monica, St. Paul's	3,096.00	100	241.35	795.00	46.35	4,178.70
Sutter Creek, Mt. Olive	35.00	100	25.50	125.00	2.50	188.00
Tucson, Our Saviour's	3,396.00	100	450.00	933.25	—	4,779.25
Vallejo, St. Paul's	2,260.00	100	300.00	1,647.81	52.00	4,259.81
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	1,487.82	110	174.00	659.28	—	2,321.10
Westwood, Village	55.00	4	—	50.00	—	105.00
Whittier, Salem	2,640.00	100	3430.0	1,245.00	325.00	4,553.00
Yreka, Mt. Zion	552.30	100	—	—	—	552.30
California Lutheran Home	255.51	100	—	—	—	255.51
Individuals	—		—	302.37		302.37
	$168,220.74	99+	$ 19,773.98	$ 96,924.49	$ 6,940.04	$291,859.25

COMMENTS

The financial reports of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California printed herein cover the year ended December 31, 1952. This year the financial statements of the California Lutheran Home and the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation (Camp Yolijwa) are omitted from these reports and will be presented to the Convention by these organizations.

The reports for the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal, now in its fund raising campaign, are being submitted separately by Pastor Paul E. Valentiner, Director of the Appeal. The record of contributions received from the Churches for the year total $96,924.49.

Lutheran World Action funds on hand at December 31st totaled $565.46. The receipts from the Churches for this Cause were:

Balance — January 1, 1952	$ 1,648.65
Receipts from Churches	19,773.98
	21,422.63
Remittances to U.L.C.A.	20,857.17
Balance — December 31, 1952	$ 565.46

It is to be noted that, while the Churches within Synod were a little short in meeting the 1952 goal of $20,506.79, Synod was able to send in more than its quota, making 101.7%.

A review of the Statement of Receipts for Apportionment, P.L.S. Appeal, L.W.A. and other Benevolences for the year shows the consecration of all the congregations as they walk in "THE WAY' with Jesus, their Lord. It exemplifies the Love of God in a continuous moving forward in Venture in Faith doing the work of the Lord and His Kingdom. The quotas and receipts for 1950, 1951 and 1952 are tabulated below

Year	Communicant Members	Quota	Contributions Received	PerCent
1950	14,519	$116,172.00	$116,693.17	100+
1951	15,783	143,568.00	141,990.42	99
1952	16,960	169,644.00	168,220.74	99+

The Apportionment quota of Synod to The United Lutheran Church in America for 1952 was $79,633.00, and it is to be noted that Synod was able to meet its quota 100% even though contributions received from the Churches were a little short.

The statistics of total benevolence giving for all causes is shown on the chart "Statistics of Giving.' In the ten year period, communing membership has increased from 5,650 to 16,960 members and in this same period, the average contribution per member has increased from $5.56 to $17.20.

Synod continued its program of the Church Extension Division under the leadership of Dr. E. N. Spirer, as it has in the past five years. This Division supervises, assists and cooperates with the congregation in the construction work of the Church buildings. It is to be noted that the operations of this Division are handled without financial assistance from the Synod Budget. A tabulation of the construction costs handled by this Division since 1947 follows:

1947	$ 1,022.83
1948	100,121.64
1949	208,425.92
1950	110,364.82
1951	133,959.94
1952	234,385.76
	$788,280.91

Work was done for the following Churches during 1952:

1. Our Saviour's—Alhambra
2. The California Lutheran Home—Rest Cottage
3. Transfiguration—Los Angeles
4. St. Paul's—Globe, Arizona
5. Trinity—Manhattan Beach

6. Trinity—Pomona
7. Good Shepherd—Reno
8. Grace—Richmond
9. Bethany—San Jose
10. Trinity—Alameda (Augustana Synod)
11. St. John's—Norwalk (Augustana Synod)
12. Pacific Lutheran Seminary alterations

The staff in the Synod office wish to express their appreciation to all the Committees with whom they have worked during the year. Their cooperation is invaluable to the office for information supplied by them in the keeping of the books and records, current, and informative, from month to month.

These Reports are submitted to Convention before the review and examination by the Audit Committee. This Committee will review the books and records and these Reports sometime after the close of the Convention and submit their findings to the Executive Committee of Synod.

I have enjoyed the experience of another year's work for the Church and personally express my appreciation to everyone who helped me in this task. As each year in Service to our Lord is placed on record, it is a real Venture in Faith pointing out THE WAY for which I thank Almighty God for the privilege of doing what I may be able to do, in carrying out the responsibilities of this office.

WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Committee on Faith and Life be received and that the recommendations be considered seriatim.

REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE

To The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California:

The tabulation of Travel claims approved by the Claims Committee for Travel to and from Convention is $3,542.34. This includes provision for delegate from Hawaii.

CLAIMS COMMITTEE
REV. CLARENCE CROUSER
WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN
CARL A. BELL

REPORT OF THE FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE

The committee on Faith and Life held two meetings since the last convention of the Synod. The first meeting took place in the synodical office on June 9 and 10, 1952. All members were present. The following important items were given consideration by the committee:

1. Confirmation rallies
2. Synodical youth director
3. A pastoral retreat
4. Christian catechetics
5. Faith and Life committee in each congreation of the synod
6. Evangelism and stewardship
7. The possible redating of the devotional booklet on behalf of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal
8. Family altar
9. Lutheran League convention dates

The committee reports that in regard to the confirmation rallies of 1952, fifty young people attended the rally in Phoenix. Approximately the same number attended the Northern conference rally at the seminary, but the Southern conference

rally was canceled due to conflicting dates. The committee is in agreement on the worth of confirmation rallies and plans a more careful preparation for the 1953 rallies to be held between Easter and Pentecost.

The committee noted with appreciation the progress being made toward the securing of a full time youth director in the synod, and offered encouragement to the Executive Committee to continue efforts toward the completion of this project.

After extended discussion, the committee decided to explore the possibility of a synod-wide pastoral retreat at Camp Yolijwa immediately following the regular camp period. Accordingly, cards were sent to all pastors soliciting their interest in a retreat to be held August 18-20. Cards were returned from fifty-eight pastors indicating a lively interest in the idea of a retreat, but the dates were impossible for a large majority. Replies may be grouped as follows: 17 planned to attend; 35 were interested but unable to attend on the suggested dates; 4 were definitely interested but uncertain about attendance on the above mentioned dates; and two cards were blank. In the light of these results, plans for the retreat were canceled with the suggestion to the conference presidents that the program at fall conference be set up withm a strong spiritual emphasis.

In connection with the study on Christian catechetics in the synod, the committee developed a questionnaire which was sent to each pastor. The purpose of the questionnaire was to gather information on which the committee could base further study and plans for action. Reports were received from 60 of the pastors and tabulations made of the replies to the various questions. Results are to be presented at the 1953 convention of synod in connection with this report.

The secretary of the committee was instructed to address letters to the conference presidents expressing the committee's desire to be of help to the Luther League and in the whole program of our youth, commending the Northern conference for holding the Luther League convention on Friday and Saturday, enabling pastors to attend. A suggestion was to be included in the letter encouraging both conferences to have their conventions regularly on Friday and Saturday so that pastors could attend. The committee also instructed that a letter be sent to the synod Luther League Advisor encouraging the synodical league to consider having its convention at a time other than Labor Day and, preferably, on a Friday and Saturday.

Note was made of the fact that Pastor Paul Valentiner and Pastor Paul Romeis under the direction of President Beasom would be conducting councilmen's rallies in December. The committee felt that the following emphasis would be helpful in connection with these rallies:

1. Intensified study of councilmen's installation services
2. Implementation and use of standing committees
3. Proportionate giving with a tithe as a reasonable first step

The Faith and Life Committee met on October 29 and 30 at the Teris Hotel in Los Angeles. All members were present except Pastor Robert Romeis.

Suggested for the agenda were the following items:

1. Synodical youth worker
2. Structrual organization of the synod of California
3. Acceleration of the laymen's program
4. A program of year around evangelism
5. Convention rallies
6. The feasibility of more conferences in the synod

The committee presented these items to the Executive Committee for its consideration:

1. That the Executive Committee consider the advisability of establishing a policy whereby the synod be responsible for planning and conducting the communion service at the opening of the Synodical Convention, and other services during the year in which the synod is officially involved.

2. That the Christian's Devotional Life be the theme for the meditations of the chaplain at the next synodical convention.

3. That the Executive Committee explore the feasibility of providing for our pastors and the pastors of the Pacific Synod a "Seminary Week" for inspiration, instruction and fellowship.

4. That the Executive Committee prepare, in addition to the regular synodical convention bulletin, a digest of major items of business and send the same to each lay delegate, aiding him to better understand contemplated convention business.

The committee presents to the synod the following recommendations:

1. That in accordance with the change in the name of the "Parish and Church School Board" of the United Lutheran Convention to the "Board of Parish Education," that the youth worker be called a "Synodical Director of Parish Education." The committee also reiterated the hope that this office will be given continued consideration and brought to fruition at an early date.

2. That the conduct of the 1953 Confirmation Rallies between Palm Sunday and Pentecost be referred to the Parish and Church School Committee of the Synod.

3. That in the interest of increasing the proportion of confirmed members who receive the Sacrament of the Altar regularly, the following procedures be used:

   a. A systematic follow-up of those who do not commune by special letters, personal calls by the pastor and/or Church Councilmen, as well as other ways emphasizing the importance of the Lord's Supper in the life of the Christian.

   b. Provision of more frequent opportunity to commune, such as additional services on communion Sunday and an increased number of communion Sundays. It was observed that many congregations offer communion eight times a year and others once each month.

4. That each congregation of the synod be encouraged to appoint a Faith and Life Committee within its congregation. (The Faith and Life Committee of the synod contemplates providing a self study analysis sheet for each congregation to be used under the direction of the congregational Faith and Life Committee.)

5. That in the interest of helping laymen know more fully the power of God at work in His Word, consideration be given the possibility of:

   a. Creating within congregations special interest fellowships of lay members for the purpose of studying the Word of God at work in daily living through stewdarship, evangelism, and Christian education.

   b. Providing area lay retreats for the same purposes.

For the confidence which has been placed in the Faith and Life Committee and the excellent cooperation offered by the officers and the pastors, the committee wishes to express its sincere appreciation. The members of the committee again wish to reaffirm their earnest desire to be ready and faithful servants of our Lord in the work of His kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE
Frank H. Clutz, Chairman
E. Dale Click
Quentin P. Garman
Robert S. Romeis
J. Benner Weaver

Recommendations 2 to 5 were adopted.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

Motion prevailed that the Questionnaire on Catechetics be attached to the Report of the Committee on Fairth and Life

Tabulation of Returns from

QUESTIONNAIRE PREPARED BY THE FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

1. Do you instruct non-Lutheran adults before reception into church membership? Yes 58, No. 2.
2. Do you instruct them by (check which)
   a. Regular class sessions? 46
   b. Personal instruction at church? 15
   c. Individual instruction at home? 28
3. If you have class sessions, how many? 21 list 6 sessions, 3 list 5 sessions (averages
   Approximate length of each sessions? averages 1½ hrs. 2 " 10 " 5 " 7 " 6

4. Whichever system you use, give approximate total hours of instruction. 9

1 " 1 " sessions)
1 " 2 "
3 " 3 "
1 " 8 "
1 " 13 "

5. When are the class sessions normally held?
Day of week_____Time of day?_____
8 list Sunday evening
7 list Sunday School hour
6 list Wednesday evening
15 list some week-day night

6. Do you use a text book? Yes 41. No. 15

Tracts	1	What A Church Member Should Know	20
N.T. Common Service Book	1	March of Faith	1
U.L.C.A. year book	1	Truth and Life	1
Luther's Small Catechism	6	Stump's Catechism	4
Lutheran Handbook	3	What Lutheran's Believe	2
Growth in Grace	14	Baizly's Augustana Book	1
Truths We Live By	1	Horn	1

7. Check procedure you use in conducting classes. Do you use:

a. Opening devotions	45	e. Quiz	7
b. Lecture	45	f. Mimeo outline	20
c. Discussion	52	g. Refreshments	8
d. Audio-Visual Aids	15		

8. Do you ask Lutherans who are being received by letter of transfer to attend any of the sessions? If so, how many sessions? No 15 5 list all sessions
Yes 20 8 list one session
7 list two sessions

9. Do you ask Lutherans who are being received by restoration to attend? Indicate how many sessions No 14 11 list all sessions
Yes 19 5 list one session
3 list two sessions

10. In what ways could the Faith and Life Committee assist you in the program of preparing adults for church membership?
a. By preparing a manual of instruction? 31
b. By suggesting discussion outlines? 32
c. By listing suggested tracts? 24
d. By offering help in class organization? 14
e. By outlining methods of recruiting? 22

11. Do you have a two-year confirmation course for children? Yes 32. No. 22.
List materials used with seniors
List materials used with juniors

12. Do you have a one-year confirmation course for children? Yes 25. No. 22.
List materials used:

A. J. Dell Catechism	1	Learing the Way	16
Y.T.T.	4	Nolde's Study Helps	5
In The Days of Thy Youth	3	Jr. Class Manual	2
March of Faith	12	Luther's Catechism	4
Stump's Catechism	15	Nolde's Catechism	8
Truth and Life	2	Visual Aids	8
C.S.B.	1	Nolde's Work Book	2
Catechetical Helps	1		

13. Give day and time of classes
29 list Saturday morning
4 week day after school
3 list evening sessions

14. When do you confirm? Palm Sunday 16. Pentecost 33. Other 3.

15. Do your confirmands receive their first communion as a class? Yes 53. No. 2.
If so, when?

Sunday following confirmation	12	Holy week	1
Trinity	11	Maundy Thursday	3
Good Friday	1	Pentecost	8
Day of confirmation	4	Palm Sunday	2
Same day	4	Easter	2

Motion was made and seconded that the Report on Student Work be adopted.

REPORT OF THE

COMMITTEE ON LUTHERAN STUDENT WORK

The Synodical Committee on Student Work held a meeting on Tuesday, November 10th. A general discussion of the student work on the territory of Synod was discussed. Rev. Clyde Grimstvedt, Western Secretary for Student Work, National Lutheran Council was present with the Committee and presented a report of the work of the foundations. Inasmuch as there were not a majority of the members present, the Committee offers no recommendations.

The Synod should be advised however, that the student work while being expanded so far as program is concerned, continues on a very shaky financial basis. It must be said again that our own Synod is not measuring up to its financial responsibility for this work. The Foundations have striven to make their constitutions satisfactory to the Synod. We have proportionate representation but we are not making proportionate contributions on the local level. The National Lutheran Council through its Division of Student Work makes annual grants to the Foundations in our Synod. These grants do not care for the salaries (at least in South) for the full-time Student Executive Director. Funds must be secured from congregations, auxiliaries, individuals and synods or districts to care for the operating costs of the programs.

The policy of our synod seems to be that token grants may be made by Synod and the congregations should contribute generously to the Foundations. Frankly, this doesn't work. With a large number of our congregations in all Lutheran bodies being mission congregations there just aren't the funds for grants to Student Work. Consequently the work suffers. It would seem wise for Synod to assess its interest in Student Work and to determine to more adequate support same. We ought not be willing to continue to let our Sister Lutheran groups do more than their proportionate share to bring a ministry to Lutheran students on the campuses of our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD L. LOGAN, Chairman

Mr. Howard Logan presented The Rev. Clyde Grimsvedt, Director of the Lutheran Student Service Center, who reported on student work on our territory. He presented Mrs. George Kohls, Counselor to International students at the University of California.

The Rev. George Spindt reported on student work in Arizona.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

Motion prevailed that the President of Synod be granted the privilege of rewriting the first four paragraphs of his Report.

Motion prevailed that we have a special order of business.

Motion prevailed that the special committee appointed at the previous session be asked to present their report.

Motion was made and seconded that the following be substituted for item 13 in the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee:

"That the 1953 Convention of Synod express its wholehearted love for The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of the Synod, and that they assure him of their prayerful concern for him; that we offer to him in addition to this our expression of love, a tangible gift of love of $4,000."

The motion was carried

The Report of the Executive Committee as a whole was adopted.

Dr. Paul Anspach, Foreign Missionary, was presented by his brother, Dr. Howard A. Anspach, and welcomed to the Convention by President Beasom.

The Report of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal was presented by The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner with a supplementary financial report.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN SEMINARY APPEAL
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Keenly aware of the need for substantial funds to improve property purchased in cooperation with the Pacific Synod for the establishment of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, the California Synod in special convention at Berkeley, October 1, 1951 unanimously voted to conduct an Appeal for a quarter of a million dollars during the calendar year of 1952 on behalf of the proposed institution.

In December 1951 arrangements were concluded whereby the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Springfield, Ohio, National Publicity Director for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, was to move to California for six months to serve as Executive Director of the effort. The services of the Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, Ph.D., Springfield, Ohio, CHEY General Director, were secured (without charge, except for expenses on a brief survey trip to California) in a consultative and advisory capacity.

At a meeting of the Synodical Executive Board on January 16, 1952 Headquarters for the Appeal were established in the Synod office in Los Angeles. The. Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., was selected as General Chairman of the effort. The Rev. H. Paul Romeis and Mr. Leo S. Johnston were selected as clergy and lay Synodical directors respectively. Shortly thereafter a guiding committee composed of the duly elected members of the Executive Board of Synod plus Dr. J. George Dorn, San Francisco, and Dr. Albert Schwertz, Los Angeles, was appointed.

The Synod territory was subdivided into 12 districts with a District Chairman for each area as follows:

Sacramento District.....Rev. Robert S. Romeis
East Bay District.....Rev. Glen O. Balsley
West Bay District.....Rev. E. Dale Click
Fresno District.....Rev. Paul H. Wolpert
San Fernando Valley District.....Rev. John G. Simmons
San Bernardino District.....Rev. F. W. Heinecken
East Los Angeles District.....Rev. Titus R. Scholl
Los Angeles District.....Rev. R. Bertram Reed
Long Beach District.....Rev. Orval A. Awerkamp
San Diego District.....Rev. Erwin A. Vosseler
Arizona District.....Rev. George A. Spindt
Hawaiian District.....Rev. Thomas Allport

On February 18 and 19, the members of the Guiding Committee and the District Chairmen met at the Synod office to acquaint themselves with the Plan of Action and to discuss various aspects of the Appeal. The total goal was divided into two parts: a congregational goal of $200,000 and a major gift goal of $50,000. To achieve the congregational goal, quotas were established for each congregation on the basis of $13.75 per communing member.

Between February 18 and March 18, meetings with pastors and leading laymen were conducted in each of the districts with the exception of Hawaii. Between April 20 and May 16 District Workers Rallys were held throughout the territory.

In the meantime Appeal materials were prepared and published. These included: Plan of Action booklet, Solicitors Manual, Report Forms, Pledge Cards, "That They Might Hear", "Tell Me", "Our Congregation Said Yes", Instruction Sheets, Workers Kits, Workers Report Envelopes, Master List Covers, Congregation Work Sheets, "Can You Help In This?", Advance Gift Letters, Daily Investment Cards, Treasurer's Report Forms, Receipt Books, Expense Vouchers, Speakers Materials, Clip Sheets, Letterheads and Mailing Envelopes.

A Major Gifts Committee was appointed, consisting of Mr. Gilbert Olson, Chairman, Robert Bremmer, C. H. Bonhoff, and Dr. J. George Dorn. The Committee met twice in Los Angeles. The members were instructed and given prospects to contact for major gifts to the Appeal.

When the Rev. R. Bertram Reed resigned his pastorate at Hollywood Church and left Synod in April, the Rev. Henry Scherer accepted the District Chairmanship of the Los Angeles district.

Advance Gift Subscription began on April 27 and the General Congregational Subscription on May 18. The suggested solicitation period closed on June 1 with a total of $119,818 definitely assured by the congregations.

At the request of the Executive Committee of Synod, the Executive Director agreed to remain an additional six months to carry forward the Appeal among the numerous congregations that had delayed their effort until later in the year, and to assist the Synod in carrying forward its Stewardship and Evangelism program. Had all the congregations of Synod been in a position to conform to the time schedule suggested by the Guidig Committee, this extra period of service would not have been necessary.

During succeeding months congregations which had been late in starting the effort reported additional assurances to bring the total on October 31, to $179,713.

In July and August, when Appeal activity was at its lowest ebb, the Executive Director, foregoing the major portion of his vacation, prepared the Suggested Fall Program for the Congregations of Synod including the Seventy Prayer-Powered Days material. He also wrote, edited and supervised publication of the California Synod Decade of Development booklet "El Camino Real". He served as editor for the spring and summer issues of the Golden State Lutheran. His office handled the mailing of these four publications in addition to the mailing of all Appeal materials. At the Seattle Convention of the ULCA he unofficially represented the California Synod while serving as editor of the "Daily Events" publication and in the ULCA News Room. He served the Executive Committee and the Camp Committee in a consultative capacity relative to ways and means of putting the Youth Program Appeal into action. The Executive Director delivered 114 sermons and/or addresses during his tenure with the Synod.

From September 18 to October 6, the Executive Director accompanied the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assitsant to the President of Synod, on a visit to all territorial areas of Synod presenting the cause of Stewardship, Evangelism and the Appeal.

The latest available report on the Appeal status will be presented to the Synod in a supplementary mimeographed form at the time of the Appeal presentation. In addition to the present assured total, a conservative estimate of the amounts promised by pastors and congregations would seem to indicate that a total of approximately $225,000 can be counted upon. When those congregations which have not yet made any response to the Appeal do their full share, the total will be substantially higher.

It will be noted that the Appeal for the original congregational goal will be successful. On the other hand the Appeal for Major Gifts is far short of the goal. This should not be construed as evidence of a lack of effort on the part of the members of the Major Gifts Committee. It should be remembered that most substantial gifts come after a long season of cultivation and as a result of loyalties that develop over a period of time. Contacts have been made that may well produce sizable gifts in future days.

The Executive Director desires to use this opportunity to express his deep appreciation to the members of Synod for their splendid cooperation with him in this effort, for the cordial way in which he has been received into the fellowship of Synod and for the many, many evidences of affection and friendship accorded him by both pastors and laymen.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL E. VALENTINER,
Executive Director, P L S A

RECOMMENDATIONS:

WHEREAS we, the members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, firmly believe that God wants us to have a strong theological seminary in the west, that He has led us in the establishment of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary at Berkeley, and has called us to undergird the new institution with substantial fintncial support, and

WHEREAS the funds sought by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California in the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal are urgently needed by our new Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, and

WHEREAS every congregation is morally bound to do its absolute best for the Appeal, and every member of every congreagtion in the Synod deserves to be given and urged to utilize the opportunity for sacrificial participation in this great cause, and

WHEREAS it is a matter of great concern to the Synod that once having committed ourselves to an important program for the Lord we carry the cause through to a truly victorious conclusion, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That congregations which have already successfully presented their Appeal to their memberships, strongly urge the full payment of Appeal pledges.

2. That those congregations which have not yet assured their full goal in the Appeal, strive mightily for a response from every member so that the congregation's full share and more may be secured.

3. That those congregations which have not yet participated in the Appeal, make immediate plans to present the cause to their membership for the purpose of securing their full fair share in this glorious cause.

4. That a congregation which has not completed its Appeal task at the close of the period originally allocated to the effort, shall consider the remaining balance due on its Appeal quota, or assurance, whichever is greater, as an unpaid obligation of the congregation which shall be discharged in full at the earliest opportunity.

The recommendations in the Report were adopted seriatim.

PACIFIC LUTHERAN SEMINARY APPEAL REPORT

City—Congregation	Quota	Expected Response*	Assured Response	Total Paid	Amount Still Due
Alhambra, Grace	3,878	3,878	2,800	1,153	2,725
Alhambra, Our Saviour's	922	1,240	1,240	536	704
Altadena, Altadena	2,352	3,106	3,106	1,623	1,483
Azusa, Calvary	550	550			550
Baldwin Park, Ascension	1,155	1,155	300		1,155
Berkeley, Shepherd-of-Hills		50	50	50	
Berkeley, St. Michael's	3,755	3,780	3,780	2,632	1,148
Beverly Hills, Bev. Hills	2,435	2,435			2,435
Burbank, Luther Memorial	2,200	2,200	1,600		2,200
Central Valley, St. James	248	248			248
Culver City, Grace	2,613	2,613	2,613	500	2,113
El Monte, Redeemer	743	743	27	27	716
Fresno, Faith	977	1,450	1,450	1,180	270
Fresno, First	3,163	7,000	7,000	3,233	3,767
Fresno, St. Paul	1,995	1,995	260	260	1,735
Fresno, Wartburg	413	413	413	369	44
Gardena, St. John	1,362	1,362	1,320	1,320	42
Glendale, First	13,820	13,820	13,820	2,200	11,620
Globe, St. Paul	440	440	141	62	378
Hollywood, Hollywood	7,123	7,123	3,693	2,000	5,123
Honolulu, Honolulu	1,843	1,843	95	95	1,748
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	468	468			468
Honolulu, St. Paul	963	963	511	511	452
Huntington Park, St. Luke	5,047	5,047	5,047	267	4,780
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	6,105	6,105			6,105
La Canada, Foothills	2,160	2,160	560	560	1,600
Las Vegas, Reformation	468	717	717	397	320
Lihue, Lihue	523	523			523
Long Beach, Faith	1,032	1,032	728	494	538
Long Beach, Lakewood	2,187	2,187	600	500	1,687
Long Beach, Trinity	7,412	9,172	9,172	9,172	
Los Angeles, Advent	4,510	4,510	3,981	2,366	2,144
Los Angeles, Bethany	688	688	131	131	557
Los Angeles, First	12,375	12,375	12,375	10,000	2,375

City—Congregation	Quota	Expected Response	Assured Response	Total Paid	Amount Still Due*
Los Angeles, St. Mark	1,375	1,611	1,611	1,190	421
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	1,898	1,898	354	354	1,544
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	1,170	1,170			1,170
Monterey Park, St. Paul	1,995	2,061	2,061	768	1,293
No. Hollywood, St. Matthew's	5,047	5,650	5,650	3,558	2,092
Norco, Bethany	399	399	349	272	127
Oakland, First	3,782	3,782	3,782	647	3,135
Oakland, St. John	1,650	1,850	1,850	905	945
Pasadena, Trinity	5,913	8,500	8,500	6,729	1,771
Phoenix, Faith	6,880	6,880	6,880	401	6,479
Phoenix, Grace	13,008	13,008	13,008	2,000	11,008
Pomona, Trinity	1,416	1,416			1,416
Redding, United	536	851	851	404	447
Redlands, First	1,306	1,306	420	420	886
Redwood City, Messiah	660	660			660
Reno, Good Shepherd	1,705	1,705			1,705
Richmond, Harbor Gate	688	688	688	400	288
Richmond, Grace	7,838	7,838	4,200	1,935	5,903
Richmond, St. James'	1,306	1,306	1,148	465	841
Riverside, Trinity	3,025	3,532	3,532	1,522	2,010
Sacramento, First	4,028	4,028	3,800	1,395	2,633
Sacramento, St. John	11,853	11,853	9,517	6,402	5,451
Sacramento, St. Paul	908	1,507	1,507	825	682
San Bernardino, First	3,823	3,823	1,400	792	3,031
San Diego, Christ	3,878	3,878	3,878	1,800	2,078
San Diego, First	4,565	4,565	2,292	2,292	2,273
San Diego, St. Peter-by-Sea	1,581	1,581	260	128	1,453
San Fernando, St. Mark	1,526	1,526			1,526
San Francisco, First	1,293	1,293	325	325	968
San Francisco, St. Mark	4,813	4,813	3,400	2,587	2,226
San Francisco, St. Matthew's	1,815	1,815	1,476	1,312	503
San Francisco, Temple	1,375	1,447	1,447	665	782
Sanger, St. Paul	618	618	199	94	524
San Jose, Grace	2,668	2,700	2,700	2,200	500
San Jose, Bethany	1,141	1,141	1,141	128	1,013
San Leandro, Epiphany	2,778	2,778	2,200	1,114	1,664
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	3,300	4,358	4,358	2,547	1,811
Santa Ana, United	1,306	1,306			1,306
Santa Barbara, Grace	2,008	2,009	2,009	1,596	413
Santa Monica, St. Paul	4,248	4,248	874	795	3,453
Sutter Creek, Mt. Olive		105	105	105	
Tucson, Our Saviour's	4,661	4,661	933	933	3,728
Vallejo, St. Paul	3,093	3,121	3,121	1,648	1,473
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	1,843	1,843	1,843	386	1,457
Westwood, Westwood	2,186	2,186	50	50	2,136
Whittier, Salem	3,630	3,630	1,300	1,245	2,385
Yreka, Mt. Zion	756	756			756
Special		8,576	8,576	7,576	1,000
	$233,216	$255.667	$191,125	$102,548	$153,119

*Minimum amount Synod expects from Congregation — Quota or assured response, whichever is the greater amount

The Convention sang one stanza of "Now Thank We All Our God" and were led in a prayer of thanksgiving by Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President of the Seminary.

The President expressed the gratitude of the Synod to The Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Executive Director of the Appeal, for his service to the Synod and the Kingdom in the raising of funds to establish the Seminary.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

The Report of the Women's Auxiliary of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary was adopted.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Women's Auxiliary of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary was organized March 26, 1952 to further the welfare and progress of the Seminary, to bring the Seminary and its needs before the church and to encourage young men and women to undertake a life calling of full-time service for Jesus Christ. During the remainder of the year, 1175 persons became Charter Members of the Auxiliary with a total of $1,887.50 received.

Acting upon the recommendation of the Seminary Board and Faculty, all the linens for the dormitory were purchased before the opening of the Seminary in the fall and recently the purchase of bedspreads and a television set for the lounge has been authorized.

The charter membership is now closed but already memberships for 1953 are being received and it is our prayer that the Auxiliary will prove to be of real value to the on-going program of the Seminary, thus strengthening the work of the Synods of the West.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ROSS F. HIDY

The Report of the Committee on the President's Report was presented and the motion prevailed that the items be adopted seriatim.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A study of the President's report for 1952 reveals that the affairs of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California of the United Lutheran Church in America have been under the guiding hand of one who is personally consecrated to the command of the Master, "Go teach all nations."

We therefore are grateful to the Living God of the Church for the courageous leadership which our President has given in spite of the physical handicap which the Lord has laid upon him and that others have answered the call to assist him in the tremendous forward movement of the church.

In order that specific emphasis may be brought to bear on certain phases of the report, your committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That the congregations of Synod be urged to continue their petitions to Almighty God, in the Name of Jesus, for the complete recovery of our President and that in the meanwhile he be granted daily grace, strength, faith and courage to endure the will of God.
2. That the Synod instruct the Executive Committee of Synod to begin to make adequate financial arrangements for Dr. Beasom's future.
3. That each pastor and church council of the congregations of Synod do all in their power, with the help of God, to put into action the program designated as "Church planning for Christ and His Church during 1953" in their assigned areas.
   a. A church attendance crusade using the suggested letter of consecration on Easter Sunday
   b. A personal Evangelism effort marshalling the entire membership of the congregation in a program of soul winning specifically during the season between Easter and Pentecost.
   c. A reconsecration effort having as a goal the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation synod-wide appeal for funds as authorized by Synod.

F. W. HEINECKEN, Chairman
QUENTIN GARMAN
GUY L. HUDSON
HOWARD WEISMAN
HERMAN KRUSE

Item 1 was adopted
Item 2 was adopted.
Motion was made and seconded that the word "a" be substituted for "its" in item 3, section (c).
Item 3 was adopted.
The Report as a whole was adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

During the convention "get well' cards were sent to Dr. Schwertz and Pastor Lindsay.

Letters of greeting were sent to the Chaplains in service.

We received one letter from Dr. C. Koosman of American Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. LOU, MERTZ, Chairman

The motion prevailed that the Report of the Committee on Resolutions be received and the recommendations be adopted seriatim.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The Committee presents the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Synod express by rising vote its grateful appreciation to The Reverend Milus W. Bonker and the members of the congregation of Grace Lutheran Church of Richmond for entertaining so graciously this Sixty-second Convention.

2. That we again express to our President, Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., our continuing gratitude for his efficient and consecrated leadership and vision, that we thank God for His answer to our prayers in granting a measure of recovery to our President, and that we renew our petitions to our Heavenly Father that He may continue His mercy upon him so that he may continue to improve and gradually be restored to his normal and necessary life and work in the Kingdom.

3. That we thank and commend the convention Chaplain, Pastor Frank H. Clutz, for the inspiration of his services during the several sessions of Synod.

4. That the Synod extend to the Reverend G. Elson Ruff, Litt.D., the official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, our genuine gratitude for his presence, his counsel, his presentation of the Knubel-Miller lectures, and his description of the program of our United Lutheran Church, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United Lutheran Church.

5. That the Convention extend our appreciation for the presence and messages of the Reverend Paul W. Dieckman, D.D., President of Midland College, and other distinguished visitors and guests.

6. That we commend to the mercy of our Heavenly Father Dr. Albert B. Schwertz, Pastor H. C. Lindsay, and other pastors and workers who are ill; that this be done during the closing devotions of this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

Items 1 through 6 were adopted.

Motion prevailed that we express the appreciation of the Synod to the Ford Motor Company for their graciousness in providing cars for transportation of the delegates.

The motion was made and seconded that The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California be requested to devise ways and means by which a scholarship program for students from Hawaii be maintained, and that the necessary funds to maintain the students from Hawaii at Midland, be secured.

Motion prevailed that this be referred to the Executive Committee.

Motion was made and seconded that we reconsider the action of yesterday providing that all benevolence in excess of the stated amounts in the Budget be sent to The United Lutheran Church in America as additional benevolence.

Motion was carried.

The motion prevailed that the following be substituted for the action taken yesterday "that the surplus in benevolence receipts, if any, above the stated amounts in the Budget shall be allocated by the Executive Committee of Synod."

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions as a whole was adopted.

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Committee on Excuses be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES

No excuses have been received from the following pastors and laymen, who have been absent from all or part of the sessions:

Pastors—Albert Alsop, Willis J. Forsyth, Ragner Kjeldahl, Arthur C. Knudten, J. E. Oslund, A. J. Soldan, E. D. Wright.

Laymen—Casper B. Taw, Alfons Tims, H. G. Vogel, Ted Schengel, August Hansen, John C. Snyder, Oscar Evenson, Erle Glidewell, Robert Vernon, G. F. Ofstedahl, Ralph Riesberg, R. W. Kroening.

The Committee recommends that retired Pastors and foreign missionaries and Chaplains who are members be excused.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE K. ATTWOOD, Chairman

Motion prevailed that we excuse all retired pastors and Chaplains.

Motion prevailed that the Synod excuse The Rev. H. C. Lindsay, who is very ill.

Motion prevailed that a get-well card be sent to Mr. A. C. Bertelsen, who is ill, and a note be included to Mrs. Bertelsen, Lay Delegate from Redeemer Lutheran Church, El Monte, expressing regret that she was unable to attend the Convention due to the illness of her husband.

Motion prevailed that we accept the invitation of Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California, to hold the 1954 Convention in their Church.

Motion was made that the Synod Convention be held in May and a definite date be determined by the Executive Committee. Motion was seconded.

The motion prevailed that this be referred to the Executive Committee and that the Executive Committee be instructed to study the question and draw up arguments on both sides and submit these to the Synod at the next Convention.

The Secretary of the President's office was introduced to the Convention and presented with an Orchid by the President of Synod

The Necrologist made a strong plea that Pastors should send obituaries of decreased Pastors or Pastor's wives to the Necrologist of Synod.

Dr. G. Elson Ruff presented the last in his series of Knubel-Miller Lectures on the Subject "America and God."

Following the Lecture, the officers and elected board members were installed by the President of Synod.

The Convention was officially closed by the President of Synod using the prescribed order.

PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the Minutes of the 62nd Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, held in Grace Evangelical Luthern Church, Richmond, California, January 26-29, 1953.

PAUL H. WOLPERT, Secretary

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

We have examined the books and records of the following:

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California

The Church Extension Division

The California Lutheran Home for the aged

Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we consider necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements reflect the operations for the year of 1952, and the Balance Sheets correctly state the financial positions as of December 31, 1952.

AUDITING COMMITTEE
B. L. WAHL, Chairman
C. J. WALRAVEN

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952, TABLE 1—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1952	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members 14	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: CONFIRMED: Number of Members 15	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: COMMUNING: Number of Members 16	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Berkeley	St. Michael's	1913	2516 Durant Avenue	Alameda	1	Ross F. Hidy	EG	465	4	..	380	23	..	290	17	..	1
2	Berkeley	Shepherd-of-Hills	1952	2750 Marin Avenue	Contra Costa	1	John R. Steinhaus	E	92	92	..	61	61	..	34	34	..	2*
3	Central Valley	St. James	1949	Central Vrlley	Shasta	4	Kenneth E. Linton	E	56	23	..	35	13	..	31	13	..	3
4	Fresno	Faith	1951	725 Lansing Way	Fresno	2	Goodwin T. Olson	E	239	50	..	120	29	..	80	9	..	4
5	Fresno	First	1917	630 Ferger Ave.	Fresno	2	Paul H. Wolpert	E	678	88	..	446	41	..	278	48	..	5
6	Fresno	St. Paul's	1913	2112 Lotus Ave.	Fresno	2	August S. Claus	EG	450	..	33	395	..	14	150	5	..	6
7	Fresno	Wartburg	1904	561 "D" St.	Fresno	2	John C. Bitter	EG	206	..	7	161	..	8	25	..	5	7
8	Honolulu	Honolulu	1900	448 So. Beretania, Honolulu 43	Honolulu	1	Vacant	E	314	..	..	204	..	..	134	..	..	8
9	Honolulu	Pearl Harbor	1950	Buck St. & Tucker Ave.	Honolulu	1	Waldemar G. Hintz	E	123	..	..	60	..	..	34	..	..	9
10	Honolulo	St. Paul's	1950	3660 Pahoa Ave. Honolulu 16	Honolulu	1	Franklin A. Swanson	E	111	9	..	75	..	..	69	..	1	10
11	Lihue	Lihue	1882	Lihue	Kauai	4	Thomas Allport	E	141	18	..	87	5	..	42	4	..	11
12	Oakland	First	1890	1283 Holman Road	Alameda	1	Donald E. Wagner	E	427	..	37	287	..	38	233	..	42	12
13	Oakland	St. John's	1921	1820 55th Ave.	Alameda	1	Philip W. Bergstresser	E	306	..	8	171	..	15	128	8	..	13
14	Redding	United	1951	926 Gold Street	Shasta	3	Kenneth E. Linton	E	100	30	..	60	14	..	49	10	..	14
15	Redwood City	Messiah	1953	227 "D" Street	San Mateo	2	Kenneth C. Senft	E	150	34	..	106	21	..	72	24	..	15
16	Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	1947	501 California	Washoe	2	J. Edward Oslund	E	314	63	..	173	35	..	152	28	..	16
17	Richmond	Grace	1924	2369 Barrett Avenue	Contra Costa	1	Milus W. Bonker	E	1112	..	46	678	..	37	582	12	..	17
18	Richmond	Harbor Gate	1950	2900 Meeker Ave. Mail: 513 13th St	Contra Costa	1	Milus W. Bonker	E	115	14	..	62	7	..	54	4	..	18
19	Richmond	St. James	1946	1963 Carlson Blvd.	Contra Costa	1	Walter E. Sabins	E	232	42	..	129	23	..	111	16	..	19
20	Sacramento	First English	1889	2910 39th St.	Sacramento	1	W. Morgan Edwards	E	497	..	96	369	..	24	252	..	40	20
21	Sacramento	St. John's	1867	1701 "L" St.	Sacramento	1	Robert S. Romeis	E	1638	64	..	1056	16	..	895	33	..	21
22	Sacramento	St. Paul's	1945	2958 59th St.	Sacramento	1	Charles A. Miley	E	289	56	..	147	44	..	114	48	..	22
23	San Francisco	First English	1886	6555 Geary at 30th Ave.	San Francisco	1	Vacant	E	150	..	..	106	..	..	70	..	24	23
24	San Francisco	St. Mark's	1849	1135 O'Farrell St.	San Francisco	1	J. George Dorn	E	1129	3	..	755	5	..	350	..	..	24
25	San Francisco	St. Matthew's	1895	3281 16th St.	San Francisco	1	Herman Lucas	EG	346	8	..	269	5	..	132	..	..	25
26	San Francisco	Temple	1917	Bay View & Latona Sts.	San Francisco	1	Eldon R. Miller	E	212	8	..	145	4	..	100	..	..	26
27	Sanger	St. Paul's	1907	1128 "N" St.	Fresno	4	Edward J Lamberts	EG	168	17	..	124	4	..	45	..	..	27
28	San Jose	Bethany	1951	1224 Santa Clara—Los Gatos Road	Santa Clara	1	George R. Flora	E	225	76	..	126	28	..	106	23	..	28
29	San Jose	Grace	1892	59 East Julian St.	Santa Clara	1	Clarence F Crouser	E	578	52	..	360	41	..	201	7	..	29
30	San Leandro	Epiphany	1949	16248 Carolyn St.	Alameda	2	Albert S. Hidy, Jr.	E	489	95	..	280	34	..	220	18	..	30
31	San Mateo	St. Andrew's	1944	El Camino Real at 15th Ave.	San Mateo	2	E. Dale Click	E	452	60	..	300	46	..	280	40	..	31
32	Vallejo	St. Paul's	1943	1300 Tuolumne St.	Solano	2	Glen O. Balsley	E	625	80	..	322	35	..	247	22	..	32
33	Yreka	Mt. Zion	1947	417 S. Oregon St.	Siskiyou	4	Walter R. Keim	E	195	34	..	109	9	..	51	..	4	
	1952 Totals	Congregations 33	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 38	....	12624	1020	227	8158	543	136	5612	423	116	1952
	1951 Totals	Congregations 32	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 43	....	11831	1215	162	7751	719	134	5305	584	153	1951
	Increase																	

Index Number	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS											ADULT MEMBERS										EDUCATION																Index Number
				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss			Accessions					Losses					PARISH												HIGHER				
																									Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church							
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissal 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissal 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Home Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	
1	465	380	290	16	12	28	2	...	24	21	47	..	19	3	10	50	17	80	1	17	39	57	1	33	112	5	12	...	...	...	2	18	80	1	...	...	18	1
* 2	92	61	34	19	14	33	...	...	2	..	2	31	..	14	41	8	..	63	..	2	..	2	1	14	110	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	61	...	...	...	..	2*
3	56	35	31	4	6	10	...	...	..	..	..	10	..	..	10	3	..	13	..	..	..	..	1	7	36	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	..	3
4	239	120	80	21	11	32	...	...	3	8	11	21	..	5	12	14	12	43	..	8	6	14	1	11	128	..	16	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	2	4
5	678	446	278	29	22	51	...	...	4	..	4	47	..	9	13	23	11	56	2	12	1	15	1	22	200	..	36	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	1	14	5
6	450	395	150	11	..	11	5	...	9	16	30	..	19	..	7	2	..	9	17	6	..	23	1	11	69	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	3	6
7	206	161	25	2	..	2	...	...	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	..	5	9	1	5	40	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	7
8	314	204	134	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	63	4	24	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	8
9	123	60	34	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	17	157	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	9
10	111	75	69	12	7	19	...	...	5	5	10	9	..	2	4	6	..	12	1	4	7	12	1	5	47	..	5	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	3	10
11	141	89	42	10	3	13	...	...	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	7	..	7	..	2	..	2	3	16	120	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	11
12	427	287	233	14	5	19	2	...	5	11	18	1	..	..	..	8	1	16	2	28	24	54	1	12	78	..	24	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	4	12
13	306	171	128	8	2	10	...	...	..	3	3	7	..	1	4	8	..	13	1	1	26	28	1	12	84	..	19	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	3	13
14	100	60	49	8	8	16	...	...	..	..	..	16	..	..	9	4	1	14	..	..	..	..	1	10	65	..	11	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	1	14
15	150	106	72	12	14	26	...	...	7	6	13	13	..	1	..	13	13	27	..	4	2	6	1	10	92	..	18	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	3	15
16	314	173	152	10	19	29	...	...	1	..	1	28	..	2	14	14	7	37	1	1	..	2	1	9	95	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	2	16
17	1112	678	582	35	31	66	4	1	20	50	75	..	9	3	26	20	14	63	4	23	73	100	1	36	380	..	110	...	...	...	...	...	41	1	...	1	15	17
18	115	62	54	8	3	11	2	...	2	..	4	7	..	4	3	..	2	9	..	..	2	2	2	18	280	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	...	...	..	18
19	232	129	111	15	6	21	...	...	..	2	2	19	..	4	10	8	16	38	1	5	9	15	1	15	191	..	14	...	...	...	...	...	33	...	...	...	4	19
20	497	369	253	23	..	23	4	1	13	77	95	..	72	9	13	1	9	32	2	24	30	56	1	20	20	..	32	...	...	...	...	...	31	1	...	...	2	20
21	1638	1056	895	71	13	84	11	...	8	17	36	48	..	27	43	35	18	123	8	19	80	107	1	22	236	..	148	...	...	...	...	...	103	2	...	2	29	21
22	289	147	114	15	10	25	12	...	1	..	13	12	..	8	19	21	9	57	..	2	11	13	1	32	275	..	41	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	3	22
23	150	106	70	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	72	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	23
24	1129	755	350	16	2	18	4	...	16	..	20	..	2	2	17	32	19	70	5	30	30	65	1	15	100	..	80	...	...	...	...	...	45	...	...	1	10	24
25	346	269	132	6	3	9	5	...	...	1	6	3	..	2	5	..	3	10	3	..	2	5	1	7	64	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	11	25
26	212	145	100	6	7	13	3	...	5	1	9	4	..	2	6	7	1	16	2	8	2	12	1	12	115	..	10	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	5	26
27	168	124	45	11	4	15	..	1	1	..	2	13	..	..	1	8	2	11	2	4	1	7	1	7	52	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	7	27
28	225	126	106	24	30	54	...	...	..	6	6	48	..	3	18	24	..	45	1	11	5	17	1	16	164	..	24	1	2	70	...	...	37	...	...	...	..	28
29	578	360	201	22	6	28	6	...	11	..	17	11	..	6	28	17	3	54	6	7	..	13	1	20	165	23	57	...	...	...	...	...	87	...	...	...	..	29
30	489	280	220	47	66	113	10	...	2	40	52	61	..	5	13	26	26	70	1	14	21	36	1	15	267	4	138	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	..	30
31	452	300	280	21	24	45	2	...	12	17	31	14	..	1	14	42	3	60	2	12	.	14	1	18	262	..	35	...	...	...	...	...	72	...	...	...	20	31
32	625	322	247	62	19	81	2	2	14	18	36	45	..	13	25	9	23	70	4	19	12	35	1	22	248	..	49	...	...	...	...	...	80	...	...	...	2	32
33	195	109	51	25	6	31	6	...	..	....	6	25	..	2	3	4	..	9	..	..	..	..	1	8	70	..	15	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	..	33
1952	12624	8160	5612	583	353	936	80	5	165	300	550	507	121	128	375	414	211	1128	70	263	388	721	36	491	4387	82	918	1	2	70	2	18	884	7	...	5	161	1952
1951	11831	7751	5305	570	486	1056	122	9	133	324	588	583	115	120	435	563	282	1400	69	256	490	185	35	447	4298	28	825	1	5	80	19	64	913	8	...	10	171	1951
Inc.	793	409	307	13	...	...	...	...	32	...	...	...	6	8	...	...	...	...	1	7	...	536	1	44	89	54	93	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Inc.
Dec.	...	...	...	...	133	120	42	4	...	24	38	76	...	...	60	149	71	272	...	...	102	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	10	17	46	29	1	...	5	10	Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Womn's Number	Womn's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. People Number	Y. People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
1	1	25	2	65	3	80	1	10	400,000	20,000	200,000			620,000	92,000	16,243	44,392	60,635	2967	1486	350	1061	521	6386	2,724	2,724	9,109	69,744	1
* 2			1	25			2	15					200	200		1,760		1,760	50				150	200		159	359	2,119	2*
3	1	9	1	12			1	13	15,000				1,500	16,500	14,638	1,393	306	1,699	5	14	10			29	180	196	225	1,924	3
4			1	13			1	13		12,000			13,000	25,000	21,780	1,810	2,057	3,867	118	5		15	26	1229	708	440	1,669	5,536	4
5			2	73	1	46	2	30	22,500	13,000	35,500		2,292	73,292	17,885	10,430	4,051	14,481	4247			65	1339	5651	2,304	2,346	7,997	22,478	5
6	1	19	3	68			1	14	10,000	5,000	5,000			20,000		5,345	600	5,945	260					260	1,452	740	6,945	6,945	6
7			1	25					7,000					7,000		2,895		2,895	368				39	707	300	300	707	3,602	7
8			1	24	2	47	1	18		19,967		92,823	65,134	177,924					95				176	271	1,344	1,372	1,643	1,643	8
9			1	15			3	79					1,200	1,200									50	50	336	336	386	386	9
10			1	20			1	24		26,000	3,300		30,000	59,300	28,311	2,593	3,957	6,550	511				91	602	696	696	1,298	7,848	10
11			1	14			1	20	50,000	15,000				65,000	5,247	4,484		4,484							384	385	385	4,869	11
12	1	40	2	95			1	10	30,000	15,000	10,000			55,000		9,162	5,674	14,836	876	35	70	275	459	2034	2,748	2,748	4,782	19,618	12
13	1	12	3	58	1	10			20,000	13,000	4,500		1,000	38,500	6,634	7,144	152	7,296	909	31		295	277	1512	1,200	1,208	2,72	10,014	13
14	1	10	1	15			1	15		14,500				14,500	11,000	1,860	724	2,584	513	5	7	4	50	579	396	426	1,005	3,589	14
15			1	24			1	14		11,500			25,000	36,500	34,000	2,905		2,905					62	62	480	523	523	3,490	15
16			1	35			1	15	85,000	14,500			1,100	100,600	40,000	5,822	5,220	11,042					76	76	1,236	1,236	1,312	12,354	16
17	1	30	1	60			2	58	200,000	19,000			7,000	226,000	92,000	18,410	14,086	32,496	2104	29	18	331	2029	4511	5,640	5,640	10,151	42,647	17
18			1	25			1	10								2,128		2,128	472	63		15	102	652	504	504	1,156	3,284	18
19			1	18			1	10	39,000	8,500				47,500	37,525	4,841	2,304	7,145	465	25			147	637	948	680	1,317	8,462	19
20	1	20	1	65	1	35	1	10	40,000	12,000	6,000		1,289	59,289	4,575	9,375	2,847	12,222	1449	50	26	27	501	2,53	* 2,928	2,928	4,981	17,203	20
21	1	65	3	115	2	105	2	45	219,000	15,000		500	7,008	241,508	5,784	24,484	9,849	34,333	6540	343	1140	1436	1966	11425	8,616	8,806	20,231	54,564	21
22			1	20	1	60	2	26	41,000	11,500			1,110	53,610	33,909	7,323	2,157	9,480	854	35	50	85	374	1371	66	69	2,062	11,542	22
23	1	27	1	16			1	18	75,000	11,500				86,500	23,500				325					325	936	936	1,261	1,261	23
24			2	120	2	70	3	40	250,000			75,000	25,000	350,000		21,346	601	21,947	2600	165		918	814	4497	3,504	3,504	8,001	29,948	24
25	1	14	3	64			2	27	46,000					46,000		8,166	845	9,011	312			50	178	15.0	1,320	1,320	2,860	11,871	25
26	1	14	2	35			1	18	18,500	12,500			2,200	33,200		5,895		5,895	665				140	805	996	1,000	1,805	7,700	26
27			2	40			1	14	6,000	3,500			500	10,000		3,538		3,538	90				58	148	456	250	398	3,936	27
28	1	26	1	30			1	11	26,250	12,500				38,750	33,550	3,333	6,507	9,840	128	5			184	317	828	830	1,147	10,987	28
29	1	34	6	178	2	69	3	75	35,000	10,000				45,000	1,260	14,967	4,610	19,577	2200			30	185	2415	1,944	1,946	4,361	23,938	29
30	1	30	1	70	2	60	1	21	60,000	12,500				72,500	34,000	6,087	4,277	10,364	1114		15		35	1164	2,016	2,016	3,180	13,544	30
31	1	32	2	54	2	56	3	34	51,000	8,250			1,323	60,573	39,724	10,774	1,88	12,656	2685		360	165	908	41[illegible]8	2,450	2,405	6,518	19,174	31
32	1	40	6	88					72,489	17,000			558	90,047	27,522	9,942	5,282	15,224	2045	147	117	259	865	3433	2,256	2,26[illegible]	5,693	20,917	32
33	1	9	1	15			1	17	15,000				3,179	18,179	8,925	3,179	575	3,754	38				11	49	552	552	601	4,355	33
1952	18	456	58	1594	19	638	44	721	1,833,739	333,217	264,300	168,323	189,593	2,789,172	613,769	227,634	122,953	350,587	37070	2754	2163	5031	11,789	58,807	52,992	52,092	116,788	461,492	1952
1951	16	367	56	1522	24	649	41	649	1,166,506	284,717	72,300	170,662	228,630	1,922,815	414,525	202,6[illegible]7	78,322	280,929	8614	25	1	2031	4188	14,619	31,973	44,364	44,643	76,616	357,545	1951
Inc.	2	89	2	72			3	72	667,233	48,500	192,000			866,357	109,234	25,027	44,631	70,658	29166	233	132	843		26,834	8,644	8,455	40,172	103,957	Inc.
Dec.												2,339	38,639										2230						Dec.

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34	Alhambra	Grace	1925	433 No. Atlantic Blvd	Los Angeles	2	Harold J. Lorimer	E	616	..	21	403	..	18	260	..	22	34
35	Alhambra	Our Savior's	1949	2021 Carlos Street	Los Angeles	2	Walter M. Stuhr	E	163	31	..	98	14	..	80	13	..	35
36	Altadena	Altadena	1944	185 West Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	2	Titus Scholl	E	367	41	..	211	28	..	192	21	..	36
37	Azusa	Calvary	1951	540 N. Azusa Avenue	Los Angeles	3	E. Paul Barnhart	E	164	57	..	97	29	..	73	33	..	37
38	Baldwin Park	Ascension	1951	4135 N. Cutler Avenue	Los Angeles	3	Gerald O. Pedersen	E	351	175	..	204	90	..	185	101	..	38
39	Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	1930	100 N. Doheny Drive L.A.	Los Angeles	1	Guy L. Hudson	E	446	..	29	306	..	43	130	..	47	39
40	Burbank	Luther Memorial	1946	2401 N. Brighton Street	Los Angeles	2	L. A. Failing	E	411	11	..	218	..	41	176	16	..	40
41	Culver City	Grace	1945	4427 Overland Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Wm. Herbert Blough	E	361	27	..	247	22	..	207	17	..	41
42	El Monte	Redeemer	1947	11621 E. Bryant Road	Los Angeles	2	John B. Nield	E	207	29	..	119	17	..	71	17	..	42
43	Gardena	St. John's	1924	1204 W. 163rd Street	Los Angeles	3	Robert Wheatley	E	339	5	..	203	..	2	112	13	..	43
44	Glendale	First	1912	233 S. Kenwood St.	Los Angeles	1	Carl V. Tambert	E	1574	5	..	1195	25	..	1015	10	..	44
45	Globe, Ariz.	St. Paul's	1950	Country Club Manor	Gila	5	Jack W. Glidewell	E	98	22	..	54	11	..	52	20	..	45
46	Hollywood	Hollywood	1921	1733 No. New Hampshire Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Vacant	E	1004	..	413	592	..	348	345	..	173	46
47	Huntington Park	St. Luke's	1921	2721 E. Florence Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Charles P. Smith	E	752	7	..	530	..	11	369	2	..	47
48	Inglewood	Holy Trinity	1941	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Benner Weaver	E	838	..	48	520	..	42	434	40	..	48
49	La Canada	Foothills	1948	1700 Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	3	John P. Stump	E	375	20	..	236	24	..	200	43	..	49
50	Lakewood	Lakewood	1947	5633 E. Woodlow Road	Los Angeles	1	Louis F. Mertz	E	426	127	..	250	84	..	232	73	..	50
51	Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	1948	Box 1815	Clark	3	William C. Arbaugh	E	83	30	..	55	17	..	47	13	..	51
52	Long Beach	Faith	1945	3040 Santa Fe Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Donald P. Mosling	E	240	10	..	102	..	38	82	7	..	52
*53	Long Beach	Gloria Dei	1952	5918 E. Second Street	Los Angeles	1	R. Waldo Hansen	E	87	87	..	53	53	..	31	31	..	53*
54	Long Beach	Trinity	1907	759 Linden Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Orval A. Awerkamp	E	1189	43	..	847	7	..	561	22	..	54
55	Los Angeles	Advent	1886	1329 S. Alvarado St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Scherer	E	452	..	55	352	..	42	270	..	58	55
56	Los Angeles	Bethany	1926	7011 S. San Pedro St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Irving Kohler	E	264	5	..	185	2	..	50	..	..	56
57	Los Angeles	First English	1887	3119 West Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Albert B. Schwertz	E	1553	..	197	1199	..	161	838	..	62	57
*58	Los Angeles	Peace	1952	3119 W. Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Oscar Kleinbergs	Lat.	96	96	..	79	79	..	50	50	..	58*

(*) New Congregations (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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59	Los Angeles	St. Mark's	1904	1122 W. 36th Place	Los Angeles	1	Howard A. Anspach	E	131	..	6	109	..	4	93	..	7	59
60	Los Angeles	Transfiguration	1947	8515 S. Rayford Dr.	Los Angeles	1	Clifford B. Holand	E	375	22	..	191	..	10	128	..	10	60
61	Manhattan Beach	Trinity	1949	1001 Rowell Ave.	Los Angeles	2	George L Ulrich	E	267	69	..	172	42	..	110	25	..	61
62	Monterey Park	St. Paul's	1914	2009 S. Garfield Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Donald W. Endter	E	333	23	..	187	8	..	155	10	..	62
63	Norco	Bethany	1950	2675 Sierra Ave. Rt. 1, Box 80	Riverside	4	Bruno I. Ederman	E	67	17	..	48	17	..	47	18	..	63
64	North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	1931	11031 Camarillo Ave.	Los Angeles	1	John G. Simmons	E	962	69	..	532	28	..	407	40	..	64
65	Pasadena	Trinity	1903	997 E. Walnut St. Zone 4	Los Angeles	1	Carl H. Moyer	E	527	..	302	400	..	198	333	..	97	65
66	Phoenix, Ariz.	Faith	1945	801 East Camelback Road	Maricopa	1	Frank H. Clutz	E	887	80	..	595	70	..	564	63	..	66
67	Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	1914	1124 North Third St.	Maricopa	1	H. C. Lindsay	E	1559	..	30	940	.	43	933	..	13	67
*68	Phoenix, Ariz.	Mt. of Olives	1952	4331 E. McDowell Road	Maricopa	1	Franklin H. Schott	E	179	179	..	103	103	..	60	60	..	68*
69	Pomona	Trinity	1947	737 So. Hamilton Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Wm. Bowman	E	186	50	..	135	29	..	129	26	..	69
70	Redlands	First	1901	East Olive at Myrtle	San Bernardino	3	John D. Foerster	E	255	22	..	172	11	..	106	11	..	70
71	Riverside	Trinity	1892	4144 9th St.	Riverside	2	F. W. Heinecken	E	613	41	..	438	30	..	280	60	..	71
72	San Bernardino	First	1907	631 G. Street	San Bernardino	2	Arthur W. Alm	E	629	..	9	344	..	5	309	31	..	72
73	San Diego	Christ	1947	4761 Cass St. Zone 9	San Diego	1	Quentin P. Garman	E	647	137	..	378	75	..	360	78	..	73
74	San Diego	First	1888	1320 Second Ave.	San Diego	1	Erwin A. Vosseler	E	916	39	..	703	45	..	345	13	..	74
75	San Diego	St. Peter's	1946	1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.	San Diego	1	Vlad P. Benko	E	348	45	..	202	11	..	116	1	..	75
76	San Fernando	St. Mark's	1949	2064 Fifth St.	Los Angeles	3	Marlin J. Fellner	E	278	20	..	156	6	..	112	1	..	76
77	Santa Ana	United	1951	Bristol & Borchard at Edinger St.	Orange	2	Raymond L. Nickel	E	249	91	..	153	52	..	145	50	..	77
78	Santa Barbara	Grace	1904	1109 Anacapa St.	Santa Barbara	2	Walter M. Rucciuz	E	282	8	..	192	6	..	158	12	..	78
79	Santa Monica	St. Paul's	1926	958 Lincoln Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	William W. Klover	E	998	..	3	492	..	24	252	..	57	79
80	Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	1945	1908 E. Helen	Pima	1	George A. Spindt	E	762	85	..	509	39	..	404	65	..	80
81	Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	1950	15520 Sherman Way	Los Angeles	1	C. H. Meyer	E	455	146	..	261	75	..	191	57	..	81
82	Westwood	Village	1938	343 Sepulveda Blvd.	Los Angeles	1	A. J. Soldan	E	375	54	..	229	24	..	179	20	..	82
83	Whittier	Salem	1946	6442 S. Glengarry Ave.	Los Angeles	2	David E. Robison	E	724	158	..	427	70	..	303	39	..	83
	1952 Totals	Congregations 50	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 74	....	25466	2228	1113	16423	1243	1030	12331	1222	546	1952
	1951 Totals	Congregations 47	....	.....	.....	....	Pastors 68	....	24351	2252	393	16210	1389	284	11655	1083	328	1951
	Increase	3	....	.....	.....	....	6	....	1115	.....	720	213	.....	746	676	139	218	Inc.
	Decrease	.....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	.....	24	.....	.....	146	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec.

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34	616	403	260	17	24	41	6	..	29	9	44		3	3	12	53	....	68	5	64	17	86	1	37	173	14	23	....	....	....	2	34	18	....	....	1	9	34
35	163	98	80	7	12	19	....	..	2	....	2	17	....	1	5	17	....	23	1	6	2	9	1	15	150	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	....	2	35
36	367	211	192	30	5	35	18	1	1	2	22	13	....	1	33	7	....	41	2	4	7	13	1	22	280	....	36	....	....	....	....	....	45	1	....	....	4	36
37	164	97	73	18	12	30	....	..	....	2	2	28	....	....	7	19	7	33	1	2	1	4	1	8	55	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	....	37
38	351	204	185	50	63	113	2	..	....	26	28	88	....	9	10	41	43	103	2	1	10	13	1	20	165	....	35	1	2	36	....	....	39	....	....	....	3	38
39	446	306	130	16	1	17	....	..	1	2	3	14	....	....	5	5	10	20	3	6	54	63	1	10	77	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	4	39
40	411	218	176	31	36	67	7	..	8	....	15	52	....	2	10	40	....	52	1	6	86	93	1	22	175	....	35	1	1	25	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	40
41	361	247	207	25	2	27	10	..	4	8	22	5	....	3	16	21	2	42	....	10	10	20	1	17	185	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	1	8	41
42	207	119	71	9	7	16	3	..	....	1	4	12	....	....	11	9	1	21	1	3	....	4	1	12	121	....	47	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	2	42
43	339	203	112	21	7	28	3	..	18	....	21	7	....	5	38	15	....	58	1	9	50	60	1	27	190	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	47	....	....	1	4	43
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45	98	54	52	5	9	14	....	..	2	1	3	11	....	2	4	10	....	16	1	2	2	5	1	9	73	....	13	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	....	45
46	1004	592	345	20	..	20	4	..	17	64	85	..	65	1	5	2	3	11	7	35	317	359	1	40	258	1	65	1	1	30	1	20	97	1	....	....	16	46
47	752	530	369	20	2	22	....	..	4	....	4	18	....	8	7	23	4	42	3	25	25	53	1	28	219	22	41	....	....	....	....	....	34	1	....	1	19	47
48	838	520	484	41	30	71	6	..	4	67	77	..	6	8	30	19	20	77	5	7	107	119	1	36	406	....	159	....	....	....	....	....	112	1	....	....	10	48
49	375	236	200	21	27	48	6	..	15	31	52	..	4	5	10	19	10	44	1	9	10	20	1	19	175	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	5	49
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52	240	102	82	22	45	67	2	..	17	....	19	48	....	3	11	15	1	30	4	17	47	68	1	14	148	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	21	....	....	....	....	52
*53	87	53	31	14	20	34	....	..	....	....	....	34	....	1	18	24	10	53	....	....	....	....	1	8	90	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	....	....	*53
54	1189	847	561	39	34	73	7	..	26	4	37	36	....	3	31	51	17	102	7	49	39	95	1	30	376	....	64	....	....	....	....	....	31	1	....	1	2	54
55	452	352	270	22	6	28	12	..	7	22	41	..	13	4	20	30	14	68	1	35	74	110	1	25	176	....	45	1	15	48	....	....	62	....	....	1	....	55
56	264	185	50	8	....	8	3	..	....	2	5	3	....	1	3	1	4	9	2	5	....	7	1	5	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	2	56
57	1559	1199	838	50	8	58	4	..	12	78	94	..	36	20	78	57	....	155	12	61	243	316	1	20	120	....	48	1	7	115	....	....	98	4	....	....	16	57
*58	96	79	50	1	17	18	....	..	....	1	1	17	....	....	....	2	84	86	1	....	6	7	1	1	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	*58

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59	131	109	93	....	1	1	1	...	2	....	3	....	2	....	5	5	....	10	3	8	3	14	1	7	44	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	2	59
60	375	191	128	22	20	42	6	...	1	3	10	32	....	....	....	10	....	10	....	4	16	20	1	15	253	....	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	60
61	267	172	110	10	37	47	6	...	8	6	20	27	....	4	7	36	14	61	1	10	8	19	1	12	196	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	17	....	....	....	2	61
62	333	187	155	21	4	25	3	...	7	....	10	15	....	3	8	8	3	22	2	12	....	14	1	18	232	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	62
63	67	48	47	1	7	8	....	...	8	....	8	....	....	1	1	16	4	22	....	5	....	5	1	7	30	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	2	63
64	962	532	407	24	31	55	7	...	7	....	14	41	....	7	24	48	30	109	2	10	69	81	1	14	250	....	42	....	....	....	2	17	13	1	....	....	11	64
65	527	400	333	14	9	23	....	...	3	124	127	....	104	....	....	22	1	23	6	28	187	221	1	21	226	....	21	....	....	....	....	....	24	1	....	....	10	65
66	887	595	564	32	35	67	15	...	33	9	57	10	....	10	43	62	....	115	1	34	10	45	1	45	524	12	40	....	....	....	6	25	93	....	....	2	12	66
67	1559	940	933	76	55	131	25	1	62	30	118	13	....	16	58	138	2	214	11	104	142	257	1	57	555	....	123	....	....	....	....	....	74	2	....	....	50	67
*68	179	103	60	3	73	76	....	...	....	....	....	76	....	3	10	82	8	103	....	....	....	....	1	14	141	....	12	....	....	....	....	....	13	....	....	....	....	68
69	186	135	129	9	15	24	2	...	1	....	3	21	....	....	8	23	2	33	1	2	1	4	1	8	100	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	....	....	4	69*
70	255	172	106	13	....	13	....	...	2	....	2	11	....	2	12	5	2	21	1	7	2	10	1	7	75	4	15	....	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	1	70
71	613	438	280	16	10	26	12	...	....	3	15	11	....	7	25	40	7	79	2	15	32	49	1	25	180	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	70	....	....	....	8	71
72	629	344	309	15	16	31	8	...	21	6	35	....	4	2	17	29	2	50	4	17	34	55	1	25	210	7	20	....	....	....	5	20	57	1	...	3	7	72
73	647	378	360	47	34	81	7	...	2	10	19	62	....	18	48	51	....	117	....	12	30	42	1	42	563	....	45	1	1	10	....	....	66	....	....	1	2	73
74	916	703	345	22	10	32	1	...	12	25	38	....	6	7	12	55	10	84	2	27	10	39	1	22	135	14	40	....	....	....	....	....	13	....	....	1	6	74
75	358	212	116	20	32	52	6	...	10	2	18	34	....	2	14	23	4	43	....	18	14	32	1	16	175	....	24	....	....	....	....	....	22	....	....	....	2	75
76	278	156	112	6	21	27	....	...	13	....	13	14	....	1	3	13	8	25	....	19	....	19	1	14	97	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	1	76
77	249	153	145	15	24	39	....	...	....	....	....	39	....	6	7	36	4	53	1	....	....	1	1	19	146	....	33	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	....	....	7	77
78	282	192	158	7	8	15	4	...	....	9	13	2	....	2	12	13	5	32	2	2	22	26	1	12	65	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	18	....	....	1	2	78
79	998	493	252	28	11	39	5	...	9	4	18	21	....	3	3	22	2	30	8	43	3	54	1	25	283	....	90	....	....	....	....	....	26	1	....	1	24	79
80	762	509	404	26	29	55	6	1	2	....	9	46	....	1	14	52	9	76	4	15	18	37	1	23	295	9	35	....	....	....	....	....	45	2	....	....	18	80
81	455	261	191	21	54	75	....	1	3	....	4	71	....	3	18	60	....	81	1	4	1	6	1	20	205	....	45	....	....	....	....	....	35	....	....	....	3	81
82	375	229	179	36	13	49	....	2	4	13	19	30	....	6	....	30	20	56	8	18	6	32	1	20	175	....	40	....	....	....	2	25	12	....	....	....	....	82
83	724	427	303	70	24	94	5	...	1	....	6	88	....	2	24	50	....	76	2	4	....	6	1	65	415	....	85	....	....	....	....	....	26	....	....	....	9	83
1952	25476	16434	12331	1143	998	2141	229	6	398	606	1239	1145	243	214	782	1546	409	2951	136	869	1733	2738	50	1047	10105	88	1743	7	28	289	18	141	1640	18	—	18	324	1952
1951	24351	16210	11655	1003	774	1777	238	6	270	502	1016	970	209	170	855	1352	350	2728	107	718	790	1617	47	932	8715	175	1484	5	11	164	29	154	1617	13	....	19	311	1951
Inc.	1125	224	676	140	224	364	....	...	128	104	223	175	34	44	....	194	59	223	29	151	943	1121	3	115	1390	....	259	2	17	125	....	....	23	5	....	....	13	Inc.
Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	...	....	....	....	....	....	....	73	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	87	....	....	....	....	11	13	....	....	....	1	....	Dec.

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	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y.People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			COMGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE										
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTION'D				
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
34	1	23	1	74	1	34	1	39	50,000	20,000	50,000	.....	.....	120,000	29,963	12,716	3,333	16,049	1874	172	84	73	.....	2203	2820	2381	4584	20633	34
35	1	15	1	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	25,000	11,000	3,569	3,135	6,704	585	25	22	150	214	996	672	616	1612	8316	35
36	1	20	1	30	.....	.....	2	30	49,444	12,500	.....	.....	.....	61,944	21,204	7,279	4,592	11,871	1679	36	1	131	518	2365	1716	1910	4275	16146	36
37	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	1	14	20,000	10,000	.....	.....	2,278	32,278	26,296	3,067	4,197	7,264	.....	.....	.....	.....	111	111	396	310	421	7685	37
38	1	20	1	41	.....	.....	2	16	35,000	.....	.....	.....	14,000	49,000	45,500	7,863	6,092	13,955	164	.....	.....	.....	168	332	840	840	1172	15127	38
39	.....	.....	1	30	1	15	1	21	110,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	110,000	14,800	7,881	974	8,855	273	445	35	24	.....	777	1776	1776	2553	11408	39
40	1	30	2	55	2	60	1	20	30,000	13,500	.....	.....	8,700	52,200	23,150	7,959	1,877	9,836	15	60	.....	.....	.....	75	1596	1596	1671	11507	40
41	1	20	2	40	1	18	2	35	30,000	18,000	20,000	.....	.....	68,000	33,000	12,848	19,550	32,398	650	.....	.....	.....	247	897	1896	1920	2817	35215	41
42	1	14	1	17	.....	.....	1	20	2,500	9,500	.....	.....	4,000	16,000	7,060	1,745	1,855	3,600	27	60	13	65	111	276	540	548	824	4424	42
43	1	30	2	36	.....	.....	1	18	15,000	.....	10,000	.....	.....	25,000	250	8,048	604	8,652	1320	.....	.....	50	229	1599	996	1006	2605	11257	43
44	1	60	1	210	3	110	2	60	30,000	11,800	10,000	.....	74,000	125,800	.....	30,536	17,619	48,155	2908	1315	1075	2366	8023	15687	10056	10356	26043	74198	44
45	.....	.....	1	15	.....	.....	1	16	35,000	.....	.....	.....	2,000	37,000	21,160	2,255	7,000	9,255	62	.....	25	.....	57	144	324	330	474	9729	45
46	1	25	3	100	3	95	2	30	65,000	25,000	10,500	.....	30,000	130,500	11,651	19,700	2,690	22,390	2165	487	159	268	700	3779	5184	4437	8216	30606	46
47	1	26	1	67	1	22	1	21	103,289	.....	.....	.....	1,214	104,503	16,160	10,849	10,143	20,992	437	421	.....	169	519	1546	3672	3672	5218	26210	47
48	1	15	1	60	3	95	4	95	135,558	19,576	.....	.....	.....	155,134	51,117	17,168	14,499	31,667	50	283	.....	.....	155	488	4440	4442	4930	36597	48
49	1	25	1	50	1	65	1	25	40,000	12,300	20,000	.....	.....	72,300	45,300	10,120	9,297	19,417	635	.....	.....	331	275	1241	1572	1572	2813	22230	49
50	1	30	2	35	1	35	1	15	35,000	12,000	.....	.....	.....	47,000	30,000	6,827	5,546	12,373	572	66	47	140	307	1132	1596	1596	2728	15101	50
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52	.....	.....	1	25	1	28	.....	.....	10,500	6,950	.....	.....	2,340	19,790	9,650	4,507	940	5,447	493	96	.....	37	114	740	756	767	1507	6954	52
*53	1	10	1	25	.....	.....	1	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,490	.....	2,490	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	25	.....	60	85	2575	53*
54	1	30	1	151	.....	.....	1	30	250,000	.....	.....	.....	28,000	278,000	.....	22,118	2,264	24,742	10396	1132	1054	811	1019	14412	5388	5388	19800	44542	54
55	1	15	3	71	4	124	1	12	50,000	15,000	.....	.....	1,144	66,144	.....	12,960	2,728	15,688	2684	241	277	307	905	4414	3276	3276	7690	23378	55
56	1	15	1	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	35,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	35,000	3,000	4,000	.....	4,00	131	.....	.....	25	75	231	504	300	531	4531	56
57	1	40	3	125	1	28	3	65	100,000	38,000	5,000	.....	40,000	183,000	17,000	56,551	7,350	63,901	10330	3058	831	1673	.....	15942	9000	9000	24942	88843	57
*58	.....	.....	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78	78	.....	636	.....	636	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39	39	675	58*

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Womn's Number	Womn's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y.People Number	Y.People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
59	1	10	3	40	...	...	...	...	27,000	14,000	...	...	...	41,000	12,203	5,749	277	6,026	1202	98	56	68	427	1851	996	861	2712	8,738	59
60	1	15	1	35	...	...	1	15	18,500	11,000	19,145	5,900	2,338	56,883	38,454	4,993	16,907	21,900	354	...	...	25	110	489	1380	1217	1706	23,606	60
61	1	10	2	30	...	...	1	12	34,400	...	...	...	7,800	42,200	34,000	3,961	1,739	5,700	...	24	...	...	14	38	852	852	890	6,590	61
62	1	17	2	31	1	26	1	17	65,000	12,500	...	...	3,000	80,500	26,200	6,913	5,442	12,355	1064	140	56	172	186	1618	1452	1452	3070	15,425	62
63	...	...	1	25	...	...	1	12	...	...	...	...	3,000	3,000	2,500	1,939	816	2,755	272	...	...	...	66	338	288	300	638	3,393	63
64	1	52	2	53	1	24	2	60	36,500	16,000	...	...	...	52,500	4,727	25,516	3,200	28,716	3668	575	...	...	552	4795	3672	3672	8467	37,183	64
65	...	...	2	90	2	75	2	25	82,581	21,715	2,500	19,000	13,571	139,367	...	16,375	1,198	17,573	6839	50	602	343	1965	9799	4296	4296	14095	31,668	65
66	1	50	2	97	...	...	3	125	108,000	11,000	...	...	...	119,000	20,500	14,945	25,056	40,001	519	100	938	119	1030	2706	5016	5016	7722	47,723	66
67	1	80	1	153	1	105	2	110	175,000	28,000	...	4,760	10,000	217,760	3,224	28,223	5,642	33,865	2450	844	...	1600	2352	7246	9456	9456	16702	50,567	67
*68	...	...	...	...	1	24	1	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	4,468	4,518	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,518	68*
69	...	...	1	25	1	24	...	...	42,000	10,000	10,000	...	...	62,000	22,500	4,143	6,263	10,406	20	15	...	20	139	194	1032	1046	1240	11,646	69
70	1	27	2	35	...	...	1	12	15,000	13,000	...	...	...	28,000	1,983	5,847	486	6,333	420	163	10	...	154	747	948	948	1695	8,028	70
71	1	70	3	100	2	80	3	60	20,000	5,000	5,000	...	21,500	51,500	...	15,129	...	15,159	1522	50	150	50	803	2575	2232	2232	4807	19,966	71
72	1	50	2	84	2	38	2	30	120,000	12,000	...	...	...	132,000	44,926	8,448	22,225	30,673	917	58	50	100	709	1834	2748	2784	4582	35,255	72
73	1	45	1	70	1	25	3	125	50,000	30,000	35,000	...	18,000	133,000	42,160	12,239	17,572	29,811	1800	125	...	245	756	2926	2820	2820	5746	35,557	73
74	1	22	3	90	1	30	1	24	75,000	18,000	65,900	...	...	158,000	30,000	15,631	7,512	23,143	2773	646	1	40	488	3948	3324	3324	7272	30,415	74
75	1	24	1	28	1	22	...	...	22,900	8,425	...	...	...	31,325	17,318	6,004	2,582	8,586	341	145	55	30	141	712	1152	1152	1864	10,450	75
76	1	12	2	25	1	24	1	10	...	12,500	13,000	...	...	25,500	20,000	2,817	1,409	4,226	5	1	1	2	59	68	1116	1116	1184	5,410	76
77	1	23	2	36	2	31	1	9	...	...	...	...	13,500	13,500	10,563	3,724	2,066	5,790	...	167	124	25	186	502	948	948	1450	7,240	77
78	1	20	1	45	...	...	1	15	35,000	5,000	...	...	...	40,000	350	7,452	200	7,652	1719	24	14	125	678	2560	1605	1605	4165	11,817	78
79	1	18	2	110	1	50	2	45	77,000	17,500	48,000	...	...	142,500	36,900	15,811	3,035	18,846	1145	1113	...	150	155	2563	3096	3096	5659	24,505	79
80	1	55	2	115	...	...	3	85	65,536	9,500	...	...	6,566	81,602	16,000	10,848	18,024	28,792	1183	35	10	26	883	2137	3396	3396	5533	34,505	80
81	1	18	1	35	3	48	1	18	56,000	...	...	...	4,000	60,000	43,800	5,732	6,874	12,606	674	25	35	45	284	1063	1344	1488	2551	15,157	81
82	...	...	1	40	1	50	1	25	100,000	...	...	...	...	100,000	26,000	12,522	20,221	32,743	50	...	125	25	150	350	1596	55	405	33,148	82
83	1	23	2	56	1	40	3	75	38,000	13,000	14,000	...	3,700	68,700	15,900	10,512	17,649	28,161	1320	36	...	442	622	2420	2640	2640	5060	33,221	83
1952	39	1104	77	2809	46	1445	67	1518	2,519,708	492,266	337,145	31,432	323,729	3,704,280	892,409	520,903	317,508	838,411	68154	12231	5850	10397	26,770	123,402	123,402	114,218	237,620	1,076,031	1952
1951	37	1029	74	2692	42	1455	62	1293	2,268,979	449,681	265,580	6,847	369,183	3,360,270	729,997	441,618	287,532	729,150	23446	10104	4177	12208	31,497	82,732	99,204	97,120	180,054	909,002	1951
Inc.	2	75	3	117	4	...	5	225	250,729	42,585	61,565	25,585	...	344,010	162,412	106,285	29,976	109,261	44708	2277	1673	...	...	26,770	17,448	17,098	...	167,029	Inc.
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	45,454	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1611	4,727	...	...	...	57,566	...	Dec.

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SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION					COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1951	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
													14			15			16			
				Geographical Loc. of Church Bldg.					Total		Pastors											
				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)														
	North. Conference	Congregations, 33		20	9	1	3	..	33		38		12,624	1,020	227	8,158	543	136	5,612	423	116	
	South. Conference	Congregations, 50		24	17	7	1	1	50		74		25,466	2,228	1113	16,423	1,243	1030	12,331	1222	456	
	1952 Totals.....	Congregations, 83		44	26	8	4	1	83		112		38,090	3,248	1340	24,594	1,786	1165	17,943	1,645	662	1952
	1951 Totals.....	Congregations, 79		36	28	7	7	1	79		111		36,182	3,467	555	23,961	2,108	418	16,960	1,667	491	1951
	Increase.....	Congregations, 4		8	.....	1	.....	.....	4		.....		1,908	.....	785	620	.....	747	983	.....	171	Inc.
	Decrease	.....		.....	2	.....	3	.	.....		1		.....	219	.....	.....	322	.....	.....	22	.....	Dec.

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Index Number	MEMBERSHIP: Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	CHILD MEMBERS: Accessions: By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Losses: Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissl 6	Total B	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	ADULT MEMBERS: Accessions: By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	Losses: By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissl 13	Total D	EDUCATION: PARISH: Sunday Schools: Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Weekday Schools: Number 22	Teachrs 23	Pupils 24	Children of Church: Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	HIGHER: In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
No.	12,624	8,160	5,612	573	350	923	80	5	165	300	650	494	121	128	375	414	211	1128	70	263	368	721	36	491	4387	82	918	1	2	70	2	18	884	7	....	5	161	No.
So.	25,476	16,434	12331	1143	998	2141	229	6	398	606	1239	1145	243	214	782	1546	409	2951	136	869	1763	2738	50	1047	10105	88	1743	7	28	289	18	141	1640	18	....	18	324	So.
1952	38,100	24,594	17943	1716	1348	3064	309	11	563	909	1889	1639	364	342	1157	1960	620	4079	206	1132	2121	3459	86	1538	14492	170	2661	8	30	359	20	159	2524	25	....	23	485	1952
1951	36,182	23,961	16960	1573	1260	2833	360	15	403	826	1604	1533	324	290	1290	1953	632	4128	176	974	1280	2432	82	1379	12013	203	2309	6	16	224	48	218	2530	21		29	482	1951
Inc.	1,918	633	983	143	88	231	....	...	160	80	285	106	40	52	....	44	.....	.....	30	158	841	1027	4	159	2479	....	352	2	14	135	....	....	....	4	....	....	3	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	.....	....	....	....	51	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	133	....	12	49	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	....	....	....	28	59	6	....		6	....	Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's: Number 32	Members 33	Womn's: Number 34	Members 35	Mixed: Number 36	Members 37	Y. People: Number 38	Members 39	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building 40	Parsonage 41	School and/or Parish House 42	Endowment 43	Other Property 44	Total Valuation 45	Indebtedness 46	Congregational Expenses: Current 47	Unusual 48	Total 49	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education 50	Foreign Missions 51	American Missions 52	Social Missions 53	Other Benevolence 54	Total 55	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid 56	Total Benevolence 57	Total Expenditures 58	Index Number
No.	18	456	58	1594	19	628	44	721	1,833,739	333,217	264,300	168,323	189,593	2,789,172	613,769	227,634	122,953	350,587	37070	2754	2163	5031	11,789	58.807	52,992	52,098	110,965	461,492	No.
So.	39	1104	77	2809	46	1445	67	1518	2,519,708	492,266	337,145	31,432	323,729	3,704,280	892,409	520,903	317,508	838,411	68154	12331	5850	10297	26,770	123,402	116,652	114,218	237,620	1,076,031	So.
1952	57	1560	135	4403	65	2083	111	2239	4,353,447	825,483	601,445	199,755	513,322	6,493,452	1506178	748,537	440,461	1,188,998	105224	15085	8013	15328	38,559	182,209	169,644	166,316	348,525	1,537,523	1952
1951	53	1396	130	4214	67	2108	103	2042	3,435,485	734,368	337,880	177,509	597,813	5,283,085	1144522	644,225	365,854	1,010,079	32060	12925	6208	16396	47,116	114.705	143,568	141,995	256.672	1,266,779	1951
Inc.	4	164	5	189	...	....	8	197	917,962	91,115	263,565	22,346	....	1,310,367	361,656	104,312	74,607	178,919	73264	160	1805	.....	....	67,504	26,076	24,321	91,853	270,744	Inc.
Dec.	...	....	...	....	2	25	...	....	....	....	....	....	84,491	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	....	1068	8,557	....	....	......	......	....	Dec.

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Calif.

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Santa Barbara, Grace (1) Women of Grace Lutheran, Mrs. Philip Augerson, 1719 Olive St., Santa Barbara, Calif.

San Fernando, St. Mark's (1) Women of the Church, Mrs. Robert Nichols, 701 Huntington, San Fernando, Calif.

Santa Monica, St. Paul's (1) Women's Guild & Miss. Soc., Mrs. Sydney Bateman 807 21st St., Apt. No. 9, Santa Monica, Calif.

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Westwood, Village (1) Women's Guild, Mrs. Marjory Barethlein, 10931 Rose Ave., Los Angeles 34, Calif.

Whittier, Salem (3) Missionary Friends, Mrs. Roberta Reinke, 2427 Floral Dr., Whittier Calif.

(3) Women of the Church, Mrs. H. O. Heddergott, 14480 Edgeridge Dr., Puente Calif.

MINUTES OF

SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

FIRST SESSION

April 14, 1953

Convention Theme: "That Thy Way May Be Known"—Psalm 67:2

The Sixty-first Annual Convention met at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley nd opened with Communion Service. The Rev. R. F. Hidy, Pastor of St. Michael's fficiated, assisted by The Rev. Meyers, Chaplain of the Service Center, San Francisco nd the Rev. John D. Foerester. 173 received Communion.

Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser opened the Convention with a brief message of appreciation for our Freedom of Christian Worship.

Mrs. C. N. Alm, chairman of program committee, presented the printed program vith two minor changes and one correction and moved its adoption as the official genda for the Convention. It was seconded and so ordered.

Mrs. Duane Carmine of St. Michael's expressed a warm welcome to the Officers, Delegates and Visitors of the Convention. Mrs. Orville Lyon, responded in behalf of he Convention.

The following Convention Committees were announced:

Officers Reports—Mrs. Clarence Schneider, Mrs. Donald Farmer, Mrs. N. C. Rostad.

Department Secretaries—Mrs. Carl Moyer, Mrs. Henry Reicks, Mrs. H. O. Heddergott, Mrs. Henrina Dimmitt.

Claims—Mrs. Frances Woodworth, Mrs. Lee Alwardt, Mrs. Ruth Broadwell.

Registration & Credentials—Mrs. Roy Peterson, Mrs. A. D. Aulenbacher, Mrs. W. B. Scheehl.

Recommendations—Mrs. W. J. McCleod, Mrs. Anna Nielson, Mrs. Orval Awerkamp, Mrs. M. H. Nellis, Mrs. Robert Brammer.

Resolutions—Mrs. Odin Olson, Mrs. Constance O'Connell, Mrs. Meta Hathaway.

Nominating—Mrs. E. Dale Click, Mrs. Anton Lind, Mrs. Kathryn Rasmussen, Mrs. J. B. Froblom, Mrs. H. H. Scherer.

Time Keepers—Mrs. R. C. Henka, Mrs. C. I. Nicholson.

Organist—Mr. Richard Heine.

Parliamentarian—Mrs. F. P. Reiter.

Mrs. Geo. Kohls, The Rev. Geo. Flora, Dr. Louis Gray, Mrs. F. P. Reiter, Miss uth Hildegarde Swanson, Miss Louisa Miller, Mrs. P. J. Kramer and Mrs. Albert chwertz were introduced to the convention.

Mrs. Crouser then introduced Dr. E. Theodore Bachmann who in turn introduced r. Herbert Krimm, Head of the Evangelical Lutheran Hilfswerk Relief and Rehabitaon Agency. He told of his work and a few of the problems it has to solve.

Mrs. Clarence Crouser presented the President's Annual Report. Mrs. Carsten Alm resided. Upon motion is was placed in the hands of committee on President's Report.

The treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Russell, presented her report, following which the uditor's report was read. Motion prevailed that it be adopted.

The following Officers presented reports:

Mrs. Alm, Vice-President, Mrs. Grieve, Secretary, Mrs. Peterson, Statistician, Mrs. rth, report read by Mrs. Grieve.

Mrs. Peterson, reported on Credentials—172 registered.

Reception of New Societies postponed until Wednesday morning—because of th absence of Mrs. J. P. Beasom.

Mrs. John Holmes cleverly presented the Department Secretaries.

Portfolios were presentd to Department Secretaries.

Mrs. C. I. Nicholson presented a service of "In Memorium."

The recommendations of the Executive Board were read and were referred the Committee on Recommendations.

The offering for the morning session was received and dedicated by The Re George Flora.

The morning session closed with Collect No. 49.

SECOND SESSION

April 14, 1953

LUNCHEON—Served by the Pioneer Group, St. Michael's.

The Rev. J. R. Foerester told of the Youth Leadership Training Program, durir the lunch hour.

CONVENTION HYMN.

Miss Ruth Swanson, Missionary to India, brought the afternoon devotions usir the Bible verse "And Other Sheep I Have Which Are Not of This Fold," in evolvir the theme of Convention, "That Thy Way May Be Known"—Among All Nations.

Four Seminarians brought a message in Song.

Mrs. E. A. Hoeftman—Stressed Triennial Emphasis as a "Pepper-upper" f Societies which need it.

Bible Study—by Dr. H. J. Mumm who outlined Book of Acts.

Mrs. Quentin P. Garman presented Miss Theodora Neudoerffer as the Missiona to receive our Unit of Support. The presentation recommended, was made throu Shadow Pantomine.

Mrs. Crouser requested Rev. George Steffens, Sacramento, to receive and cons crate the Offering which will go toward our Unit of Support.

Mrs. Glen Balsley presented a panel of Foreign Missionaries. The Rev. Geor Flora, Miss Ruth Swanson, Mrs. George Kohls and Miss Louisa Miller were presente Other Missionaries were presented by voice. The Convention Theme was stress through Literacy, Evangelism and Mercy.

The Second Session closed with Collect 54.

THIRD SESSION

April 15, 1953

The Session opened with the Convention Hymn, "Thou Art the Way."

In her devotions, based on, "That Thy Name May Be Known"—Through T Church, Mrs. Oak W. Ebright stressed the Power of The Holy Spirit.

The Literature Chairman, Mrs. Hoeftman, spoke briefly on Children's Books.

The following budget for 1953 was presented and adopted:

Free Will	$ 3,850.00
Thank Offering	10,000.00
Life Membership	2,000.00
Patron and Protege	1,500.00
Deaconess	250.00
Rocky Boy	300.00
Synodical Missions	7,500.00
Administrative Fund	1,500.00
Support of Missionary	600.00
Total	$27,500.00

Mrs. William Klover was named in charge of publicity to Lutheran Womc Work.

Report of Committee on Credentials and Registration by Mrs. Peterson was p sented as follows: Officers, 5; Conference Presidents, 2; Department Secretaries, Pastor's Wives, 12; President's of Societies, 38; Delegates, 79.

Mrs. Crouser mentioned the Executive Board meeting held Tuesday at the Dinner our. The following recommendation was presented: That the 62nd Annual Convenon be held the second week after Easter.

Mrs. Crouser recognized and thanked the Chairman in charge of Ushers.

Missionaries were again introduced, Miss Ruth Swanson and Miss Louisa Miller ere present.

Report of Nominating Committee was given by Mrs. E. Dale Click, Chairman.

Motion prevailed that the Secretary cast a unanimous Ballot for the following fficers:

resident.....Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser
ice President .....Mrs. Carsten Alm
ecretary.....Mrs. G. J. Grieve
atistician.....Mrs. Roy Peterson
rchivist.....Mrs. William North

Mrs. Arthur Alm presented "Operation's Mercy"—"Making His Kay Known"—mphasizing "His Way" and requested Mrs. Ebright to tell the women how they may elp in a Special Way to make "His Way Known"—through Mercy—through Our ome for the Aged at Alhambra—mentioning the need of an elevator, the planned xpansion program, personal gifts and Prayers.

Second Bible Study Session by Dr. H. J. Mumm.

Welcome to the New Societies was given. The New Societies are:

(a) Lihue, Hawaii
(b) St. Paul's, Honolulu
(c) Gloria Dei, Long Beach
(d) Salem (Missionary Friends), Whittier
(e) Shepherd of the Hills, Berkeley
(f) Faith, Fresno
(g) Harbor Gate, Richmond
(h) Faith (Evening Group), Phoenix

Dr. James P. Beasom, President of Synod, presented "The March of Missions." e reviewed Missions in California and the part played by W.M.S. He touched briefly n what he felt should be done in the next four years. A work which would require ,400,000.

He then brought us a Sermonette on "Interim Living" and closed with the Comand "GO AND TELL."

Mrs. Sime recognized the Churches established through Synodical Special in e past ten years.

The Offering for Synodical Missions was received and dedicated by Dr. J. P. easom.

The Treasurer reported offerings for Tuesday amounted to $77.65 for the Synodical dministration Fund and $92.50 for the Unit of Support for an Overseas Missionary.

The Session closed with the closing Collect No. 49.

Luncheon was served by the Scheehl-Kramer Group of St. Michael's.

There was no Afternoon Session of the Synodical Convention because of the nnual Meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Semiary.

FOURTH SESSION

April 16, 1953

The Convention Banquet was held in St. Michael's Fellowship Hall, Wednesday ening. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President of The Pacific Lutheran Theological Semiry and President of The Board of American Missions, spoke on "My Missionary ssion."

The Fourth Session opened with the Convention Hymn followed by the Collect d a solo by Pastor Ross F. Hidy.

Mrs. Hoeftman brought us literature in a capsule.

Sharing Sessions were announced. Mrs. Aulenbacher directed the Women to the various Sections, Presidents, led by Mrs. Crouser. Fund Through Departments—Mrs. Russell. Pastor's Wives, Mrs. Robert C. Wheatley. Mission Study, Mrs. E. Dale Chick. Program Building Technique, Mrs. E. Hollis

Dr. Mumm presented the third Bible Study Session on The Book of Acts.

Sharing Sessions were the next order of business.

Minutes available—Corrections made.

Deaconess work Literature was called to the attention of Convention.

Mrs. Crouser announced an Offering of $509.76 received for Synodical Missions on Wednesday.

Report of Convention Committees were called for.

Recommendations, presented by Mrs. Wm. J. McLeod, were adopted.

Officer's Reports, presented by Mrs. Clarence Schneider, were accepted and placed on file.

Department Secretaries—Mrs. Carl Moyer. Report was accepted.

Claims—presented by Mrs. James Conover in the absence of Mrs. Woodworth. It was voted that Claims be paid.

Resolutions, presented by Mrs. Oden Olson, were accepted.

The Rev. Clarence Crouser was introduced.

The Officers were installed by Mrs. F. P. Reiter.

Final Report on Credentials and Registration:

5—Officers. 2—Conference Presidents. 13—Department Secretaries. 13—Pastor's Wives. 97—Visitors. 40—Presidents. 83—Delegates.

Farewell remarks by Mrs. E. E. Ellerbusch of St. Michael's

Mrs. E. Theodore Bachmann gave the closing devotions.

The Convention closed with the Formal Closing of Convention and the singing of the Hymn, "May We Thy Precepts Lord Fulfill."

GERTRUDE F. GRIEVE, Secretary

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

As we meet together for the Sixty-first Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of California of the United Lutheran Church in America it is my privilege to bring to you a report of our activities during 1952. Making such a report could be a dangerous thing, for it is all too easy to let the accomplishments of the past lull us into a sense of self-satisfaction. Any report on the work of the Church in this day must not be a recitation of how much has been done, but how little. It is perilous pride to spend time in congraulating ourselves on what we have done. We can, and should, have only a spirit of humble gratitude that God has blessed our efforts and guided us to the attainment of any objectives we have reached. It is He who builds His Church. We are the instruments in His hands. Without Him we can do nothing. With Him strengthening us we can do all things. That's always our spirit. And there is much yet to do.

The duties and activities of the President during the past year have been numerous. Besides presiding over meetings of the Executive Board, I have represented the Society before many groups with in our Synod. It was also my privilege to attend the Presidents' Conference in Philadelphia in September, 1952, as well as the General Convention which followed and the meetings of our own Northern and Southern Conferences. Many miscellaneous problems and situations have presented themselves, and I have tried to care for them to the best of my ability. Not the least of the responsibilities is a voluminous correspondence. But every hour spent and every mile traveled has added to the joy of serving.

California was privileged to send nine delegates to the General Convention in Philadelphia, September 20-24, 1952. In addition to our delegates were our former national vice president, Mrs. F. P. Reiter, and four visitors. The sessions proved to be a mountain-top experience in inspiration, information, and fellowship. Our Synodical Society was significantly honored by the election of Mrs. James P. Beasom to the General Executive Board.

As we review our year's work we note progress along many lines and indica-
ons of real spiritual—as well as material—growth. We welcome into our fellowship
even new societies organized during 1952. They are:

1. Wome of the Church, Lihue.
2. Women of the Church, Faith, Fersno.
3. Women's Society, St. Paul's, Honolulu.
4. Women of the Church, Harbor Gate, Richmond.
5. Women of the Church, Gloria Dei, Long Beach.
6. Faith Evening Guild, Faith, Phoenix.
7. Missionary Friends, Salem, Whittier.

A number of other groups are anticipating organization and affiliation with the
ynodical Society in the near future. We now report 98 Societies with practically
very church within our Synod having one or more organizations affiliated with our
roup. We now number 3261 members—a gain of 257. However, this number repre-
ents only a small portion of the women in the churches of our Synod, and because
ve feel that it is unfair that comparatively few women should enjoy Christian service
hrough the Women's Missionary Society we cannot rest until every woman in every
ongregation is reached through our program.

A study of the reports of the officers and secretaries indicate a steady if not
pectacular progress in many directions. Our women have responded splendidly to
ree-will offering and will rejoice to hear that so successful has this plan been during
he past triennium that at our General Convention it was voted to continue on this
asis. On five of the budgeted items we have gone over the top. On Thank Offering
ve could have gone over the top, too, if each one of us had put a mere 1½ cents
nore per month in our boxes.

Of great concern to all of us is the 40% shortage in our Synodical Missions
und. Surely, we who live in the greatest mission field in the United States will want
o contribute directly to this ongoing work of the Kingdom at our doorsteps. So con-
dent are your officers that you will rise to this challenge that for 1953 they have
ncreased this item on the budget. This they felt called upon to do when, through
he efforts of our good friend and advisor, Dr. James P. Beasom, president of the
ynod of California, copies of a fine brochure, entitled "El Camino Real," presenting
graphs, charts, and pictures the growth of the church within our Synod during the
ast decade, were made available to us for distribution through our congregation. We
el sure that if these brochures are rightly presented our congregations will want to
hare with us in a free-will offering to this wonderful cause.

Our magazine subscriptions are climbing. At the General Convention we re-
eived honorable mention for being among the top six synodical societies as far as
reatest gain in subscriptions to LUTHERAN WOMAN'S WORK. Why not strive for
e national goal—"a magazine for every member"?

The filmstrip, "How Lutheran Women Work," has been made available to all
ur societies during 1952 and has been well received. We pray that our societies
ill continue to make use of the audio-visual aids offered us by the Church and its
gencies.

We express our gratitude to the Board of Deaconess Work for assigning Sister
ary Jane Jessen to promote the work of the diaconate within our Synod for six
eeks during 1952. It was a blessed privilege to have her in our midst, and we pray
at more of our young women will feel called to follow in her footsteps and those
our present candidate for the diaconate, Sister Patricia Chafin, now enrolled at the
iladelphia Motherhouse.

We rejoice in the opening of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary at
rkeley, and we pledge our continued prayers and interest to its program. As
ngible evidence of this interest we were able to turn over to th Board of Directors
the Seminary the sum of $2217.73 for books for the library.

With worship, membership, and stewardship continuing as challenging objec-
es for us we look now to a new Triennial Emphasis—"Making His Way Known
rough the Ministry of Mercy, the Ministry of Teaching, and the Ministry of
angelism." It is an emphasis the success of which cannot be measured so much
enlarged figures as by an informed, dedicated membership. Our task, therefore,
ring the triennium will be primarily one of education, and good education will
ult in budget support. When you have become informed you will want to give,
d when you give be sure to send your funds to projects included in the Women's
ssionary Society budget.

As your president, I am thankful to God for faithful co-laborers on the Executive Board and in the local congregations who have given themselves unselfishly that the work of Jesus Christ might go on. I am grateful to all who counselled and guided my thoughts and activities as I tried to pursue the policies of the Women's Missionary Society. My loving gratitude must also be expressed to an understanding and constantly helpful family without whose co-operation I could not serve.

May God bless you, the women of the Synod of California, and continue to use us that His way may be known through us and our efforts. In the spirit of St. Paul let us forget "those things which are behind, and, reaching forth unto those things which are before, let us press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

MRS. CLARENCE F. CROUSER,
President

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we give thanks to Almighty God for the blessings and achievements o the past year and that we pray for His guidance upon us as we plan for the ongoing work of His kingdom.
2. That we pledge our support to the total program of the United Lutheran Church Church in America through our local congregations as well as to the specific program of the W.M.S.
3. That we unite our hearts in prayer daily for our missionaries.
4. That we pray that the Prince of Peace shall come to rule in the hearts of men everywhere, so that a just and durable peace may result.
5. That we use our influence to combat the anti-Christian forces at work in the world today.
6. That each local society make a special effort to interest young women in full-time service of the Church, and that the fulfilling of the needs of the fields for workers be made a matter of earnest prayer.
7. That each conference appoint a complete set of department secretaries to assis synodical department secretaries.
8. That each society strive to attain the Standard of Excellence.
9. That we follow the plan suggested at the Philadelphia convention for develop ing the Triennial Emphasis for 1952-1955 on the theme "Making His Way Known."
   Through the Ministry of Mercy
   Through Teaching
   Through Evangelism
10. That Miss Theodore Neudoerffer, missionary to India, be selected to receive ou unit of support.
11. That if and when new conferences are organized within our Synod, the synodica W.M.S. be instructed to proceed with similar conference organization.
12. That the W.M.S. assume a more proportionate share of the cost of printing it Minutes.
13. That a committee be appointed to study the possibility of changing from calendar year to a fiscal year ending June 30th.
14. That 62nd Convention be held the second week after Easter.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, the blessings bestowed upon us by our Heavenly Father as w have labored together in love and in the service of our Saviour, Jesus Christ—fo the strengthening of our faith and for our growth in membership this past year is testimony of our Lord working in our midst, THAT HIS WAY MAY BE KNOWN o earth, we lift our hearts in humble gratitude.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. We express our heartfelt thanks for the excellent hospitality and courtesy extended us by Pastor and Mrs. Ross Hidy, and the members of St. Michael' Lutheran Church, Berkeley, in offering their church for the use of this conventio

That we give thanks to God for the inspirational leadership of our President, Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser, and pledge our sincere and loyal cooperation to her during the coming year.

That thanks be extended to all officers, department secretaries and special committee members for their outstanding and faithful service during their term of office.

That we thank the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Dr. Herbert Krimm, the Rev. Harry J. Mumm, Mrs. Oak W. Ebright, the Rev. John D. Foerester, Mrs. E. T. Bachmann, Miss Jean Gringle, and all others who have brought inspiring messages during this convention.

That we recognize the presence at this convention of Miss Ruth Swanson, Miss Louisa Miller, the Rev. and Mrs. George Kohls and the Rev. and Mrs. George Flora, who have served our foreign mission fields faithfully. We thank them for their challenging messages.

That our appreciation be extended to Dr. and Mrs. James P. Beasom for inspiring and challenging leadership, and that we may be mindful of the great opportunities to show the love of God.

That we express our gratitude to the program committee and all who assisted in making the sessions of this convention helpful.

That we offer thanks to Almighty God for our Seminary, for the faculty, staff and students—that we pray for continued guidance of the Holy Spirit in leading men and women into active Christian service.

That we humbly thank our Heavenly Father for our many blessing during the past 61 years of organization, that we remain steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as we know our labor is not in vain in the Lord, as we serve Him in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:

MRS. ODIN J. OLSON
MRS. META L. HATHAWAY
MRS. CONSTANCE O'CONNELL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS REPORTS

The members of this committee having examined the reports of the president, ice-president, secretary, archivist and statistician recommend that they be accepted and placed on file with the minutes of this Synodical Convention.

May His blessing be upon these faithful workers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CLARENCE SCHNEIDER,
Chairman
MRS. DONALD W. FARMER
MRS. N. C. ROSTAD

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

The claims committee has examined the claims submitted and recommend and ove that the treasurer be authorized to make payment of these bills.

THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE,

MRS. FRANCES WOODWORTH
MRS. RUTH BROADWELL
MRS. LEE ALWARDT

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES REPORTS

After studying the reports of the Department Secretaries, we, the committee, are gnizant of the most vital part they play in the program of our Women's Missionary ociety.

Mrs. Holmes, in her presentation, likened our organizaiton to a tree and the cretaries to the branches. Through their leadership and direction blossom forth

the fruits in each local society. We wish to commend and thank each secretar for her enthusiasm and labor and for the efficient and forceful manner in which sh presented her own particular and important project.

We note with pride that the California Synodical Society made the Honor Ro by being one of six groups to report the biggest gain of magazine subscriptions i the National Society.

It is our honest opinion that the Synodical Department Secretaries did their be this past year to develop our Triennial Emphasis theme "Making His Way Known

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL H. MOYER
MRS. HENRY REICKS
MRS. H. O. HEIDERGOTT
MRS. HENRINA DIMMITT

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Carsten N. Alm

As a representative of the Executive Board, I have assisted in the organizatio of several new societies, I have presented the works of the Women's Missionar Society before various local groups on invitation, and I have prepared the progra for the 61st Annual Convention.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Mrs. G. J. Grieve

As the duly elected Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society of the Syno of California, I have performed the following duties:

A Bay Area itinerary was made for Reverend and Mrs. Allport of Lihue, Hawai to speak at various churches.

Notices were sent to all Officers, Department Secretaries, Past President Mr Albert Schwertz and Mrs. J. P. Beasom, to attend an Executive Board meeting the Synod Offices on October 24, 1952. A detailed report of this meeting was maile to the Synod Offices to be filed and copies were mailed to all Officers, Departme Secretaries, Mrs. Schwertz, Mrs. Beasom, and Dr. J. P. Beasom.

ARCHIVIST

Mrs. Wm. H. North

A complete file of Lutheran Women's Work, our official magazine, and o Synodical minutes and programs are in a cabinet in the office of the Synod in L Angeles.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

Mrs. Roy S. Peterson

	No. Societies			Membership		
	1951	1952	Net Gain	1951	1952	Ne Ga
Northern Conference	30	33	3	876	1102	22
Southern Conference	62	65	3	2128	2159	3
Total	92	98	6	3004	3261	25

Northern Conference shows the largest proportionate gain for 1952 both number of societies and in membership. New societies welcomed during the ye were Women of the Church, Faith, Fresno; Women Society, St. Paul's, Honolul Women's Society, Lutheran Church of Lihue, Lihue; and Women of the Churc Harbor Gate, Richmond. Women of the Church, Temple, San Francisco, report as o society with two circles, instead of 2 separate organizations, making the net ga 3 societies.

New societies in Southern Conference are Women of Church, Gloria Dei, Lon Beach; Faith Evening Guild, Faith, Phoenix; Missionary Friends, Salem, Whittie Special mention should be made of the new afternoon group at Lakewood. They w be reported together with the evening group as 2 circles of the Women of th Church. The small net gain in membership in Southern Conference is due to th revision of the active membership lists in several of the older societies.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

December 31, 1951 to December 31, 1952

Balance on Hand December 31, 1951		$ 1,571.99
Receipts:		
Free Will Offering	$ 4,050.94	
Thank Offering	9,538.47	
Life Membership and In Memoriam	2,305.00	
Patron and Protege	1,723.80	
Deaconess	222.35	
Special Aids	593.89	
Rocky Boy	417.66	
California Lutheran Home	265.26	
Lutheran Welfare	111.00	
Designated Gifts	162.88	
Administrative Expense Fund	1,060.30	
Synodical Missions	2,904.26	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary-Books	2,217.73	
Camp Yolijwa	55.00	
		$25,628.54
Total		$27,200.53
DISBURSEMENTS:		
To National Treasurer	$18,794.88	
Synodical Treasurer's Bond	5.00	
Departmental Secretaries' Expense	48.09	
Board Meeting Expense	215.44	
Officers' Expense	189.19	
Printing and Stationery	132.69	
Convention Expense	172.84	
Honorarium — Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr.	150.00	
Lutheran Welfare	111.00	
California Lutheran Home	260.26	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary — Books	2,085.50	
Synodical Missions	2,894.26	
Lutheran Woman's Work	45.00	
Memorial—Calif. Lutheran Home—St. Paul's—Vallejo	5.00	
Conference Dues—To Mrs. F. Woodworth	8.30	
Memorials—Calif. Lutheran Home—The Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D., J. H. Bonderson	10.00	
Deaconess Expense	3.25	
Camp Yolijwa	55.00	
National Convention Bulletins	28.00	
Life Membership Picture—To National Treas.	3.00	
Refund—Sacramento—St. John's—Dorcas	132.23	
Refund—Syn. Missions—Mrs. F. Woodworth	10.00	
Refund—Conference Dues—Yreka—Mt. Zion—Wm. of Ch.	5.00	
		25,363.93
Balance on Hand December, 1952		1,836.60
Balance on Hand as Follows:		
Patron and Protege	228.80	
Deaconess	88.60	
Rocky Boy	188.67	
Administrative Expense Fund	1,330.53	1,836.60

TO NATIONAL TREASURER

Free will	$ 4,044.64
Thanks Offering	9,538.47
Life Membership and In Memorium	2,325.00
Patron and Protege	1,530.00
Deaconess	300.00
Special Aids	593.89
Rocky Boy	300.00
Designated Gifts	162.88
	$18,794.88

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. H. E. RUSSELL, Treasurer

REPORT OF SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

Mrs. Orville Lyon, President

The 46th Annual Convention of the Southern Conference was held Octobe 28-29, 1952, in St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Huntington Park, California. The theme was "We Must Carry On."

For the first time in many years we held a two day conference with a Banque on Tuesday evening, with the Rev. Carl Segerhammer as the speaker, and we had the pleasure of seeing the pictures of the Holy Land. We are indeed grateful to Him

The Convention had an attendance of almost five hundred with 190 tha attended the banquet.

Devotions were presented by Mrs. Harold Lorimer, Mrs. L. A. Failing and Mrs Wm. Klover.

Our Synodical Pres., Mrs. Clarence Crouser, brought greetings from the Synodica and spoke on the coming year.

Among the speakers were Dr. James P. Beasom, Pres. of Synod, Dr. Mildred Winston from Washington, D. C., Mrs. George Kohls, and the Rev. Paul Romeis.

The Board of Southern Confeernce voted to give Tuesday's offering to our work of Synodical Missions. I am happy to say this was $500.00. We are thankful tha God chose the WMS to help carry on this great work of missions.

Officers for the year are: Pres. Mrs. Orville Lyon; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. Robert Brammer; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. Eugene Hoeftman; Secretary, Mrs. Wayne Pfundstein Treasurer, Mrs. Francis Woodworth; Historian, Mrs. Donald Farmer.

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE

Mrs. Glen O. Balsley, President

"The Word Living Through Responsible Church Women" was the theme of the 44th Annual Convention of the Northern Conference held in Grace Lutheran Church San Jose, on November 5, 6, 1952. The theme was effectively developed through devotions, convention reports and Bible Study methods. Missionary Women of Grace Church were excellent hostesses, caring for housing, meals, decorations, beautiful corsages and providing on each day a coffee hour.

Four of our members attended the national convention in Philadelphia and two the Lutheran World Federation in Hanover. Reports of these conventions plus the United Lutheran Church Convention were brought to our convention.

A Fellowship Congress banquet was held in connection with the convention The Vice-President of the conference was in charge of this outstanding event.

Four new societies were received into conference and representatives of new areas now being developed were introduced. The year 1953 should see great stride in our Women's Missionary Society in this conference with the large number of home mission fields now being developed.

Officers elected to serve for the new year are: President, Mrs. Glen Balsley Vallejo; Vice-President, Mrs. Schuyler Hunt, San Jose; Secretary, Mrs. Robert Foulke San Mateo; Treasurer, Mrs. John Holmes, Richmond; Archivist, Mrs. Clarence Schneider, San Francisco.

EDUCATION DIVISION

EDUCATION

Mrs. Eugene A. Hoeftman

Sale of literature at the Southern Conference meeting amounted to $80.54, at the Northern Conference meeting $46.12. Total sales from both Conferences amounted to $126.66.

Magazine "Lutheran Woman's Work"

Mrs. Eldon R. Miller

	Membership	Magazine Subscriptions
Northern Conference	1,102	432
Southern Conference	2,159	1,397
Total	3,261	1,829

17 Societies reporting a 100% subscription list.

During the past triennium the Women's Missionary Society of our Synod, and ive other synodical societies, received honorable mention for attaining the largest gain in the number of magazine subscriptions.

Fifty-seven per cent of our members subscribe to "Lutheran Woman's Work." .et us go forward working toward a 100% subscription list for each society. Watch he magazine for the societies who achieve this goal.

MISSION STUDY

Mrs. E. Dale Click

	No. Conf.	So. Conf.	Total
No. Study Groups No. American Mission	13	12	25
No. Study Groups World Missions	19	25	44
No. Persons in Groups	178	480	658
No. Persons Completing Reading Course	32	27	59

Mission Study is a "plus." Over and above our monthly programs, it challenges s to serious study of a particular section of the world and to increased knowledge f problems in home missions. This is tangible evidence of interdenominational co-peration, for the themes are used throughout most Protestant churches.

The themes in use until summer of 1953 are—World Theme "Africa"; Home heme, "Home Missions and Human Rights." Pamphlets on basic books and other terature are available from Missionary Society headquarters in Philadelphia. Home nd Foreign theme packets should be ordered by each society for they contain all ooks and guides necessary for your program.

During 1952 a quickened interest in Mission Study was encouraging. More oceties are endeavoring to present both home and foreign themes instead of just ne. More societies are using this opportunity for missionary promotion to the entire urch by inviting the whole congregation to their Mission Study programs and asses and having representatives from other church organizations on their planning ommittees. However, there are still over 35 societies who have not presented Mis-on Study at all.

Some societies have found an increase in number of persons completing the eading Course because they appointed a Librarian to circulate books and to enerate enthusiasm.

We can never learn enough about God's Kingdom. May we learn to love and to learn through Mission Study.

SPECIAL GIFTS DIVISION

LIFE MEMBERSHIP AND IN MEMORIAM DEPARTMENT

Dec. 15, 1951 to Dec. 15, 1952

Mrs. C. I. Nicholson

Life Memberships Received	169
Honorary Life Membership Received	22
Total Memberships Received	191
Life Members on Synodical Roll	2023
Honorary Life Memberships on Synodical Roll	425
Total Membership on Synodical Roll	2448
Transferrals Received	16
In Memoriams Received	7
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams Received	23
Total Transferrals and In Memoriams on Synodical Roll	332
Total Income from this Department for 1952	$2325.00

Again we have exceeded the amount set up in our yearly budget for this department. Surely all who have given or been honored with memberships are happy to have been a part of that "extra" missionary work that can be done because we went "over the top."

PATRON AND PROTEGE DEPARTMENT

Mrs. John M. Holmes, Secretary

"Making His Way Known" through this Department was accomplished through the support of 9 native workers including Bible Women, nurses, kindergarten teachers, lay evangelists and others. 19 scholarships were given youths in our mission stations to aid them in their search for knowledge. 9 babies have been given loving physical and spiritual care because of gifts given by our Synod. We are grateful for these gifts of love and only look forward to an increase in 1953 that we may go far in "Making His Way Known."

SYNODICAL MISSIONS

Mrs. H. R. Sime

Total Contributions for 1952 for "Synodical Missions" were $2,904.26 — a little over one-half of our goal. Although our receipts were disappointing we were encouraged that many of our **New** societies showed a sincere desire to share in **Mission Development** by their regular contributions to the "Synodical Missions" fund.

The Reverend Thomas Allport, pastor of our church at Lihue, Hawaii, spoke at many of our WMS meetings in both Conferences during the fall. Mrs. Allport told of the Women's work in the Lihue Church.

Special emphasis was given "Synodical Missions" at both Conferences. Dr. James P. Beasom, President of the California Synod, presented the brochure, "El Camino Real," the story of the "Church on the Move." Mrs. Clarence Crouser, President of the WMS, Synod of California, presented "El Camino Real" at the Northern Conference. Brochures were sent to congregations in the Synod for distribution to membership.

Your Department secretary sent letters to all Synod WMS Presidents outlining plans for a special "Synodical Missions" emphasis in local congregations through use of brochure, "El Camino Real."

When this emphasis has been presented in every congregation in California Synod we feel confident we will meet our goal next year.

SPECIAL AIDS DEPARTMENT

Mrs. A. L. Screws

The Fields assigned to California Synod for 1952 were Japan and India. Many societies sent boxes containing dispensary and hospital supplies, kindergarten materials and clothing. The interest and enthusiasm shown by our newly organized societies in the Department are evident by their reports.

The growing need for cash in the Special Aids fund was stressed this past year. Rocky Boy, also, is becoming better known to all societies and many boxes were sent there containing warm clothing and gifts for the Indians.

The following boxes were reported:

Number of Boxes to World Missions	347
Number of Boxes to North American Missions	159
Number of Boxes to Synodical Missions	47

The increase in cash gifts should be a symbol of joy to all of us. Our budget for Rocky Boy was $300, and this amountw as exceeded by $117.66.

Special Aids cash gifts were more than four times as much as the year before.

Cash Received for Rocky Boy	$417.66
Cash Received for Special Aids	$593.89

The increase in number of Societies contributing money to this Department is as follows:

	1951	1952
Rocky Boy	34	45
Special Aids	11	26

THANK OFFERING

Mrs. Clarence F. Crouser

Mrs. C. E. Engelhard has served as the efficient secretary until forced to resign because of ill health.

Through her consecrated efforts our goal of $10,000 was almost reached. $9,538.47 was received for the fiscal year of 1952.

As we continue to give thanks through "a daily gift, a daily prayer" let us realize the significance of our Thank Offering Box in Missionary enterprise. Remember that Thank Offering supplied one-half the budget—more than a million dollars—this triennium. Let us use thank offering to express the overflow of our love for Christ, with not so much a desire to meet a goal as in the spirit of daily prayer. Let us express in a material way, with our gifts of money, the thankfulness of a heart and life that has been blessed by an ever-giving God.

PROMOTION DIVISION

DEACONESS SECRETARY

Mrs. J. P. Sandretto

The Diaconate has always been known as the "Ministry of Mercy." The aim of every member should be: 1) To discover the institutions of mercy in our communities, in our Synods and in our overseas churches. They include hospitals, homes for the aged and orphans, industrial homes. (2) To develop through knowledge of these institutions and program of work supported by our church, recognition of the needs, such as food, shelter, clothing, medical care, Christian counsel and religious training. (3) To dedicate herself to service in behalf of the ministry of mercy through activity, prayer and intelligent participation in providing funds in the budget of the WMS.

The wonderful news from the Board of Deaconess work of the United Lutheran Church in America is that 21 women were consecrated as deaconesses in this triennium. There are 34 deaconess students coming from 18 Synods and 11 special students enrolled in the training program of our Baltimore and Philadelphia Schools. Sister Patricia Chapin from Culver City, Calif. (Grace Lutheran Church) is at Lankenau Hospital School of Nursing in Philadelphia. Sister Mary Jane Jessen, who visited each of our congregations last spring, has retuned to her parish, University Lutheran Church, Seattle, Wash. There are two new associate field secretaries who have joined the board staff on a release time basis. They will travel at the expense of the Deaconess Board.

It is truly a challenge to the young women of the churches, a wonderful opportunity to give serious consideration to the claims of the Lord Jesus Christ upon their lives for special service in the Church, not only in the diaconate but in other fields of service where talents may be consecrated to full time Christian work.

STUDENT CENSUS SECRETARY

Mrs. Charles A. Miley

The annual report for the year 1952-1953, the year of the opening of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary in Berkeley this last fall, compares very well with preceding years. 74.6 per cent of the congregations reported their students. 29 young men are preparing for full time Christian service, 5 young women for church social welfare and 18 young women for the nursing profession out of the 275 students reported. These young people are enrolled in 10 Lutheran institutions and 63 non-Lutheran institutions.

PROMOTION

Helene Hjort

In this report for the year 1952 I am happy to say most of the societies have seen the film strips "How Lutheran Women Work." Many societies have asked if more such film strips could be made available to them just as reasonable. I feel it would be a good investment in the future of the work for the Synodical to buy and distribute informative film strips such as these among the societies, thus being sure all the societies use them.

A number of the societies actually organized during 1952 were reported at the last convention since our convention was late. Among these were Women of the Church, Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii; Women of the Church, Faith Lutheran, Fresno; Women's Society, St. Paul's; Honolulu, Hawaii; Women of the Church, Harbor Gate, Richmond; Women of the Church, Gloria Dei, Long Beach; Faith Evening Guild, Faith, Phoenix; and Missionary Friends, Salem, Whittier.

The field for 1953 is surely very ripe for harvest and there should be a good many new societies even by convention time. God will bless the continuance of His Work if we ask His Guidance and strive to do His Will.

TRIENNIAL EMPHASIS

Mrs. Arthur Alm

Our Triennial Emphasis for 1953-1955 is a challenging one: "Making His Way Known Through the Ministry of Mercy, Through Teaching, Through Evangelism."

The emphasis for the first year of our Triennium is: "Making His Way Known Through the Ministry of Mercy." We will discover many of the Institutions of our Church that Minister Mercy to many, and because of our knowledge and kindled interest will help to further their work, but one of the thrilling possibilties of our Emphasis will be discovering the potential of each woman personally to Minister Mercy.

As your Triennial Emphasis Chairman, I am grateful for opportunities to speak in behalf of our Emphasis. If you feel I can be of service to your Society, please contact me.

May your life be blessed as you make the Triennial Emphasis personal.

STANDARD OF EFFICIENCY

Mrs. Robert Inslee

In 1951 the Standard of Efficiency was set up as a "measuring" stick for the W.M.S. in order to bring before the Societies the important phases of the missionary work. It was in no sense intended as a basis for competition between the Societies. The Standard of Efficiency should be a guide for new Societies in promoting the program and a reminder to the older organizations to continue to promote the over-all program of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Any ten points met—a STANDARD SOCIETY

All 13 points met—HONOR ROLL

WORSHIP

1. Stress on Worship (a) Private
   (b) Family
   (c) Corporate
2. Formal acceptance and prayer of dedication of free will offerings and Thank Offerings.
3. Observance of Lenten Week of Prayer and Self-Denial, and WORLD Day of Prayer.
4. Public Thank Offering Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP

5. Increase in Membership.
6. Representation at Synodical Convention.
7. Visitation of non-members and prospective members.

STEWARDSHIP

8. A reasonable contribution made to each item of Synodical budget.
9. Statistical report returned by January 3rd.
10. Reports from all Department Secretaries (local) sent to Synodical Secretaries by designated dates.
11. Increase in (a) free will offerings
    (b) Thank Offerings
    (c) gifts in general
12. Quarterly ingathering of Thank Offering.

GENERAL

13. Measure up to goals of ALL departments.
    (a) One Life Membership or In Memoriam each year.
    (b) Fifty percent (50%) subscribing to AND READING Lutheran Woman's Work
    (c) A Mission Study Class: Twenty percent (20%) membership on Reading Course Honor Roll.
    (d) Contribution made to Patron & Protege Dept.
    (e) At least one box sent for Special Aids
    (f) Contribution made to Synodical Missions.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER—WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, DEC. 15, 1951, TO DEC. 31, 1952—Table 1

No. of Society	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emphasis	Free Will	Life Membership In Memoriams	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran Home	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administrative Expense Fund	Synodical Missions	TOTALS	No. of Society
1	Alhambra, Grace (Women of the Church)	137.50	25.00	10.00	12.00	2.00		2.00	2.00		10.00	11.00	36.00	247.50	1
2	Alhambra, Grace (Christian Life Circle)	38.12	44.00	30.00				15.00		60.00		14.00		201.12	2
3	Alhambra, Calif. Luth. Home (Louisa Miller Soc.)	136.48	10.00	50.00	40.00	5.00	5.00	5.00			15.00	10.00	10.00	286.48	3
4	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	72.04	31.31	20.00	6.00						20.00	2.70		152.05	4
5	Altadena, Lutheran (Women of the Church)	125.00	39.00	10.00	2.00			1.00			29.64	10.60	7.51	224.75	5
6	Azusa, Calvary, Women of the Church	37.78	10.50	10.00							5.00	7.50	5.00	75.78	6
7	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Women of the Church)	125.82	43.28	30.00	23.00	3.00		5.00			40.75	15.00	50.00	335.85	7
8	Berkeley, St. Michael's (Scheehl-Kramer Grp.)	22.50	36.00	10.00							60.75		10.00	139.25	8
9	Beverly Hills (Women of the Church)	92.22	36.00	20.00	1.00	1.00					20.00	5.00	10.00	185.22	9
10	Burbank, Luther Memorial, Women of the Church	147.85	48.00	25.00								4.00		224.85	10
11	Central Valley, St. James, Women of the Church	25.34		10.00							5.00		10.00	50.34	11
12	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	40.77	61.00	10.00							25.00	2.00	25.72	164.49	12
13	El Monte, Redeemer (Women of the Church)	46.02	15.60	10.00	6.00	5.00						5.00	11.25	98.87	13
14	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	158.45	60.76	40.00				20.00			10.00	41.88	106.76	437.85	14
15	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	53.89	31.67	10.00			6.11				15.00	7.89	27.55	152.11	15
*16	Fresno, St. Paul's, Women of the Church	20.00	13.00		6.50						10.00	6.80	13.80	70.10	16*
17	Gardena St. John's (Women of the Church—Day)	72.48	37.40		25.00									134.88	17
18	Gardena, St. Johns, Women of the Church–Eve	56.75	30.20	10.00	5.00							8.65	4.10	114.70	18
19	Glendale, First (W. of the Ch. —Day and Eve.)	646.37	200.00	215.00	180.00	20.00	95.77	15.00		15.00	96.05	67.00	308.61	1858.80	19
*20	Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's, Women of the Church							10.00						10.00	20*
*21	Harbor Gate, Women of the Church										10.00			10.00	21*
22	Hollywood, Lutheran (Women of the Church)	239.38	52.00	40.00		5.00	28.00				18.00		10.00	392.38	22
23	Hollywood, Lutheran (Florence M. Welty)	54.49	46.00	10.00	1.00	1.00		1.00			5.00	5.00	9.50	132.99	23
24	Honolulu, Hawaii (Ladies' Guild and Miss.)	48.10	10.00		1.00	1.00						4.50	16.00	80.60	24
*25	Honolulu, Hawaii, W. M. S.		15.00		1.00	1.00		1.00				4.00	3.00	25.00	25*
26	Huntington Park, St. Luke's (Women of the Church)	233.53	104.21	20.00	21.80	16.10	31.22	31.12	10.00		10.00	42.91	79.87	600.76	26
27	Inglewood, Holy Trinity, Women of the Church	103.16	52.88	65.00							75.00	13.56	35.00	344.60	27
28	La Canada, Ch. in Foothills (Women of the Church)	49.52	38.60	10.00							5.00	8.80		111.92	28
29	Las Vegas, Nev., Reformation (Women of the Ch.)	20.13	15.00										8.00	43.13	29
30	Long Beach, Faith (Women of the Church)	25.06		10.00										35.06	30
*31	Long Beach, Gloria Dei, Women of the Church	15.09	5.00		1.00	1.00		1.00				1.00	1.00	25.09	31*
32	Long Beach, Lakewood (Women of the Church)	70.90	38.51	20.00	11.02		10.00	3.64				8.05	33.26	195.38	32
33	Long Beach, Trinity (Women of the Church)	531.50	230.00	370.00	280.00	20.00	131.00	30.00		35.00	530.00	68.00	559.50	2785.00	33
34	Los Angeles, Advent (Women of the Church)	146.24	46.80	10.00	80.00	5.00					15.00	13.65	59.00	377.69	34
35	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas)	28.70	13.50					3.00			5.00		3.00	53.20	35
36	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	29.43	17.64				1.00	2.00				3.75	20.00	73.82	36
37	Los Angeles, Bethany (Women of the Church)	10.00	13.00		4.00	1.00							2.00	30.00	37
38	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Day)	604.85	90.00	110.00	125.00	5.00					25.00	30.00	100.00	1089.85	38
39	Los Angeles, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	37.10		40.00										77.10	39
40	Los Angeles, St. Mark's (W. M. S.)	115.00	32.50			2.00		50.00				8.75		208.25	40
41	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts)	66.61	20.00	10.00	50.00		20.00	10.00	1.00		10.00	4.80		192.41	41
42	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)	15.94	4.90	10.00										30.84	42
43	Manhattan Beach, Trinity, Women of the Church	13.50	6.25			1.00		1.00			5.00	1.75		28.50	43
44	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Women of the Church)	67.06	40.50	20.00	15.00	16.75			5.00		20.00	10.25	15.00	209.56	44
45	Monterey Park, St. Paul's (Yowomis)		10.05	15.00							10.00			35.05	45

No. Soc.	NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	Thank Offering Tri-Emp.	Free Will	Life Members In Memo	Patron and Protege	Deaconess	Special Aids	Rocky Boy	California Lutheran	Lutheran Welfare	Designated Gifts	Administ Expens	Synodic Mission	TOTAL	No. of Society
51	Pasadena, Trinity (Women of the Church)	365.73	80.00	115.00	50.00	5.00	25.00	5.00			100.00	20.00	109.00	874.73	51
52	Phoenix, Ariz., Faith (Women of the Church)	63.76	39.00	25.00	50.00		25.00				17.00	18.52		238.28	52
*53	Phoenix, Ariz., Faith, Evening Guild	36.87												36.87	53*
54	Phoenix, Ariz., Grace (Women of the Church)	100.00	380.00	10.00	120.00									610.00	54
55	Pomona, Trinity (Women of the Church)	53.50		20.00			6.00							79.50	55
56	Redding, United, Friendship Circle	13.55	12.00		2.48	2.05					5.00	5.00	1.40	41.48	56
57	Redlands, First (Women of the Church)	73.85	31.00	10.00	5.00	5.00		20.00			5.00	10.00	10.00	169.85	57
58	Redlands, First (Women's Guild)	10.13	9.90					5.00			5.00		3.30	33.33	58
59	Redwood City, Messiah, Women of the Church	39.41	4.90		1.00	1.00		1.00			11.00	2.00	1.00	61.31	59
60	Reno, Nev., Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Circle)	9.77	42.25	10.00	4.00	2.50		5.00				11.43		84.95	60
61	Richmond, Grace (Women of the Church)	250.00	100.00	20.00	80.00			25.00			50.00	20.00	125.00	670.00	61
62	Richmond, St. James' (Women of the Church)	68.30	31.90	10.00							11.00	8.00		129.20	62
63	Riverside, Trinity (W. M. Guild)	79.00	86.50	35.00							10.00	3.00		213.50	63
64	Riverside, Trinity (Nona M. Diehl)	82.12	79.80	10.00			19.79				10.00	12.00	22.00	235.71	64
65	Sacramento, First (Women of the Church)	37.00	38.00	10.00	3.00	3.00	50.00	10.00			50.00	12.00	15.00	228.00	65
66	Sacramento, St. John's (Dorcas)	107.05	64.00	100.00	8.00	2.00		4.00	10.00		147.23	15.00	40.00	497.28	66
67	Sacramento, St. John's (Mary E. Oehler)	127.94	36.00	10.00	25.00	5 00	25.00				105.00	18.00	39.00	390.94	67
68	Sacramento, St. Paul's (Miss. Guild)	46.52	22.40	20.00	5.00	2.20		2.20	2.20		20.00	9.00	29.80	159.32	68
69	San Bernardino, First (Women of the Church)	87.03	65.00	40.00	10.00	17.00	11.00	10.00				17.52	55.00	312.55	69
70	San Bernardino, First (Young Wm. of the Church)										10.00			10.00	70
71	San Diego, Christ's, Pacific Beach (Wm. of the Ch.)	138.57	148.32	20.00							25.00			331.89	71
72	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Day)	157.87	48 00	65.00	140.00	3.75	12.50		1.00		30.00	7.50	25.00	490.62	72
73	San Diego, First (Women of the Church, Eve.)	72.70	16.00	10.00	50.00	3.00						16.00		167.70	73
74	San Diego, First (Junior Women of the Church)	59.44	20.00	10.00	10.00				13.39		5.00	5.00	5.00	127.83	74
75	San Diego, St. Peter's (Women's League)	98.18	36.40	20.00	2.00	2.00		5.00	10.00		25.00	9.80	76.72	285.10	75
76	San Fernando, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	51.09	23.95				1.00	1.00						77.04	76
77	San Francisco, First (Women's Guild)	106.39	30.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00			10.00	5.00	10.00	196.39	77
78	San Francisco, St. Mark's (Women of the Church)	165.98	24.19	20.00	50.00			10.00			10.00		28.36	308.53	78
79	San Francisco, St. Matthew's (W.M.S.)	30.00	28.00		2.00	10.00						5.00	8.00	83.00	79
80	San Francisco, Temple (Women of the Church)	18.75	28.00	20.00			9.00				10.00	5.00	16.00	106.75	80
*81	Sanger, St. Paul's, Women of the Church	33.25	13.00		1.00	1.00		1.00				8.50	22.00	79.75	81*
82	San Jose, Bethany, Women of the Church	78.00	25.00									2.00	5.00	110.00	82
83	San Jose, Grace (Women of the Church)	179.95	104.00	25.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	5.00			25.00	20.00	40.00	423.95	83
84	San Leandro, Epiphany, Women of the Church	54.12		30.00					12.00		70.10		15.00	181.22	84
85	San Mateo, St. Andrew's (Women of St. Andrews)	144.66	59.00	10.00				19.20			15.50			248.36	85
86	Santa Ana, United, Dorcas	72.46	23.40	20.00			2.50	2.50			10.00	5.34		136.20	86
*87	Santa Ana, United, Isabel	55.34	10.70		5.00		5.00	5.00			5.00	9.80		95.84	87*
88	Santa Barbara, Grace (Women of the Church)	130.16	74.50	25.00	15.00	5.00		10.00			10.00	14.00	40.00	323.66	88
89	Santa Monica, St. Paul's (Guild and Miss.)	307.32	82.70	50.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	15.00			55.00	26.00	100.00	651.02	89
90	Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour's (Women of the Church)	115.80	73.27	10.00	12.00	4.00	35p00	10.00	1.00	1.00	50.00	10.00	10.00	332.07	90
91	Vallejo, St. Paul's (Guild)	348.02	101.00	60.00	40.00	2.00		10.00	196.67		150.21	28.00	100.00	1035.90	91
92	Van Nuys, St. Andrew's (Women of the Church)	48.17	43.50	30.00	7.00	2.00					5.00	14.00		149.67	92
93	Westwood Village (Women's Guild)	76.03	21.00		1.00	1.00		1.00				9.00		109.03	93
94	Whittier, Salem (Women of the Church)	79.56	39.00	25.00	15.00		4.00	3.00				5.30	4.00	174.86	94
*95	Whittier, Salem, Missionary Friends	27.02	6.60		3.00			1.00	1.00			1.80	1.00	41.42	95*
96	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Women of the Church)	45.42	15.00								9.88	5.00	15.00	90.30	96
97	Northern Conference (W. M. S.)												64.75	64.75	97
98	W. M. S. —Synod of California										158.50	193.00	177.50	529.00	98
	TOTALS	9538.47	4050.94	2305.00	1723 80	222 35	593.89	417.66	265.26	111.00	2435.61	1060.30	2904 26	25628.54	

Statistical Report — Wowen's Missionary Society of the Northern Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1952 — Table 1

No. of Society	FOR CONFERENCE OR SYNODICAL USE: NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	No. of Members Jan. 31, 1951	MEMBERSHIP: No. Soc. Org. Before Jan. 1, 1952	No. Soc. Org. Since Jan. 1, 1952	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Jan. 1, 1952	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	EDUCATIONAL DIVISION: Mission Study: No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups: World Missions	No. Persons In Groups	No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	No. Meetings Held	No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	L W W: No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	Programs: No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	No. Societies Using UNDATED Mo. Programs	No. of Society
	NORTHERN CONFERENCE																				
1	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Scheehl Kr. Gr.)	18	1		25	3	2		11	14					1	5	1		1		1
2	Berkeley, St. Michaels (Wom. of Ch.)	40	1		45		5								1	4	1	32	1		2
3	Centaal Valley, St. James, Women of the Church	7	1		10	2	3		10									5			3
4	Fresno, Faith, Women of the Church			1	12	2	12		11	1								10		1	4
5	Fresno, First (Chi Rho Circle)	35	1		41	8	12		24	17								10	1		5
6	Fresno, First (Friendship Circle)	39	1		40	3	6		40			2	17		1	1		10	1		6
7	Fresno, St. Pauls (Wm. of Ch.)	11	1		12										1						7
8	Honolulu, Honolulu Luth. Ladies' Guild)	28	1		25				22	3					1	1		10			8
9	Honolulu, St. Paul't, Women's Society			1	23	5	7		18	5									1		9
10	Lihue, Luth. Church of Lihue, Wom. of the Church			1	15		2		15											1	10
11	Oakland, First (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		60	15			30	30					1	3	1	50	1		11
12	Oakland, St. Johns (W. M. S.)	12	1		15		3								1	1	1	10	1		12
13	Redding, United Lutheran, Friendship Circle	16	1		16	4			16						1	1		10	1		13
14	Redwood City, Messiah Lutheran, Wom. of the Church	15	1		32	12	12		16	16		1	20		1	12		15			14
15	Reno, Good Shepherd (Shepherdess Cir.)	28	1		50	6	10		25	25											15
16	Richmond, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	62	1		62				60	2								30	1		16
17	Richmond, Harbor Gate, Women of the Church			1	28	5	6		28									10	1		17
18	Richmond, St. James (Wm. of Ch.)	22	1		18	4			18										1		18
19	Sacramento, First (Wm. of Ch.)	45	1		45		5		42	3					1	1		30	1		19
20	Sacramento, St. Johns (Dorcas Soc.)	29	1		48		7		25	23								8	1		20
21	Sacramento, St. Johns (Mary E. Oehler Soc.)	47	1		31		5		31					3				13	1		21
22	Sacramento, St. Pauls (Miss. Guild)	25	1		20	2	1		9	8	2	4	16		1	6	1	2	1		22
23	San Francisco, First (Womens Guild)	12	1		30	5	18		17	13								18	1		23
24	San Francisco, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	36	1		40	5	5		15	25								8			24
25	San Francisco, St. Matthews (W. M. S.)	15	1		15				15		1	1	10	8				3	1		25
26	San Francisco, Temple (Wm. of Ch.)	35	1		34	10	6		34		5	5	21					8	1		26
27	Sanger, St. Pauls, Women of the Church		1		15	1			15												27
28	San Jose, Bethany, Women of the Church	19	1		25	3	6		23	2								13	1	1	28
29	San Jose, Grace (Miss. Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		53	3	5		44	9				3	1	5	1	50	1		29
30	San Leandro Epiphany (Wm. of Ch.)	60	1		75	12	15		63	12								5			30
31	San Mateo, St. Andrews (Wm. of St. Andrews)	35	1		50	20	15		30	20		1	45	4				12	1	1	31
32	Vallejo, St. Paul's St. Paul's Guild)	70	1		76	14	11		57	19	5	5	49	14	1	5	1	45	1		32
33	Yreka, Mt. Zion (Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		16				12	4								15			33

No. of Society	Day of Prayer: No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	Program Material: No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	Promotion Division: Unified Plan: No. Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Attended by Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	Volunteer Service: No. Members Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	Division of Special Gifts: Thank Offering: No. Public Thank Offering Services	Thank Offering: No. Societies Participating in a joint Public T. O. Service	Thank Offering: No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	Thank Offering: No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	Patron & Protege: No. Native Workers Supported	Patron & Protege: No. Scholarships	Patron & Protege: No. Old People, Orphans and Babies Supported	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Life Members Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. In Memoriam Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Transferals Since Jun. 30, 1949	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent World Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	Women Students from Cong.: In Lutheran Institutions	Women Students from Cong.: In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Women Students from Cong.: Nurses in Training	No. of Society
NORTHERN CONFERENCE																								
1			1		1	1		1	1															1
2	1	36	1					1	1	1	1							1	110	2				2
3					1	1		1			1								5					3
4	1	1	1		1	1	7																	4
5	1				1					1	1							1	2	1				5
6	1	30		1	1	1			1															6
7	1	30	1	1	1					1														7
8	1		1	1	1	1		1											21					8
9	1				1																			9
10	1		1	1	1																			10
11		30	1	1	1	1	10	1		1									1					11
12		15			1			1	1		1							2	2					12
13	1	16	1	1	1	1	5	1		1	1								1					13
14	1			1	1	1		1		1	1								15					14
15	1	20	1		1			1																15
16	1		1	1	1	1		1		1								1	8					16
17			1	1	1	1												1	4	1				17
18	1	4	1		1	1		1		1								3						18
19	1		1		1	1	10	1		1	1							3						19
20								1	1															20
21	1	31		1	1	1	12	1	1	1	1													21
22	1	20	1	1	1	1		1			1								2	2				22
23		30	1	1	1	1		1		1	1							2	1	1				23
24				1	1	1		1		1	1							1	5					24
25	1	15						1		1														25
26		7	1	1	1	1	4	1		1	1								2					26
27				1	1					1														27
28	1	10	1	1	1	1		1		1	1							2		3				28
29	1	53		1	1	1		1		1								2	4					29
30				1	1			1		1	1							1		1				30
31	1	25	1	1	1		18	1	1	1	1									1				31
32	1	45	1	1	1	1	21	1		1	1							6	6					32
33		10	1	1	1					1	1							6						33
	21	428	20	21	30	20	87	24	7	21	17							32	191	12				

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Conference for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1952—Table 2—Cont'd.

No. of Society	FOR CONFERENCE OR SYNODICAL USE: NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	No. of Members Jan. 1, 1952	MEMBERSHIP: No. Soc. Org. Before Jan. 1, 1952	No. Soc. Org. Since Jan. 1, 1952	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Jan. 1, 1952	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	EDUCATIONAL DIVISION: Mission Study: No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups: World Missions	No. Persons In Groups	No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	No. Meetings Held	No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	LWW: No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	Programs: No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	No. Societies Using UNDATED Programs	No. of Society
	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2																				
34	Alhambra, C. L. H. (Louisa Miller Soc.)	23	1		30		8					1	12					6	1		34
35	Alhambra, Grace (Chr. Life Circle)	23	1		28		5		17	11					1	1	1			1	35
36	Alhambra, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	28	1		25		3		24	1	1		16		1	1	1			1	36
37	Alhambra, Our Saviour's (Wm. of Ch.)	24	1		28		8		26	2		1	5		1			12	1		37
38	Altadena, Altadena Lutheran (Wm. of Ch.)	30	1		30		4		25	5											38
39	Azusa, Calvary Lutheran, Women of the Church	10	1		24		10		18	6					1	3	1	10	1		39
40	Baldwin Park, Ascension, Women of the Church		1		35	9	7		30	5											40
41	Beverly Hills Lutheran, Women of the Church	30	1		37	1	7		37									25	1	1	41
42	Burbank, Luther Mem. (Dorcas Soc.)	39	1		39	7	7		31	8		2	32	5				14	1	1	42
43	Culver City, Grace (Ladies of Grace)	35	1		30		3		20	10	1		7					30			43
44	El Monte, Redeemer (Wm. of Ch.)	10	1		12		2		9	3		1	12					13	1		44
45	Gardena, St. Johns (Wm. of Ch.)	19	1		17				17			1						18		1	45
46	Gardena, St. Johns (Wm. of Ch. —Eve)	21	1		20	3	1		18	2		1			1	7				1	46
47	Glendale, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day & Eve.)	189	1		168		18		136	32		4	100		1	5	1	186	1		47
48	Globe, Ariz., St. Paul's, Women of the Church	10	1		15	4	5		13	2					1	1		10			48
49	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (F. M. Welty Soc.)	30	1		30	6			22	8		1	30		1	1	1	75			49
50	Hollywood, Hollywood Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	114	1		40				40						1		1	40			50
51	Huntington Park, St. Lukes (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		59	13	14		41	18				3				15			51
52	Inglewood, Holy Trinity (Dorcas)	70	1		45				45						1	12	1	19			52
53	La Canada, Evangelical Luth. (Wm. of Ch.)	25	1		25	3	10		20	5		1	25	4	1	1	1	11			53
54	Las Vegas, Reformation (Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		15	2	2		13	2					1		1	15	1	1	54
55	Long Beach, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		16	1	3		12	3								1			55
56	Long Beach, Gloria Dei, Women of the Church			1	18	3			17	1								10			56
57	Long Beach, Lakewood, (Wm. of Ch.)	29	1		32	10	16		24	8								29	1		57
58	Long Beach, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	144	1		151	27	7		126	25		1	45	5	1	5	1	145	1		58
59	Los Angeles, Advent (Dorcas Soc.)	16	1		18				3	15								18	1	1	59
60	Los Angeles, Advent (Iota Eta Sigma)	14	1		12	10	2		2	10								4			60
61	Los Angeles, Advent (Wm. of Ch.)	41	1		41	1	2								1	3		41	1		61
62	Los Angeles, Bethany (Wm. of Ch.)	12	1																		62
63	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Day)	85	1		85				85		5	5	85		1	1	1	80	1		63
64	Los Angeles, First (Wm. of Ch.—Eve.)	30	1		25		1			25					1	1			1		64
65	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Loving Hearts Soc.)	13	1		12	1	1		5	7								15			55
66	Los Angeles, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	25	1		21		1											13	1		66
67	Los Angeles, Transfiguration (Dorcas)	46	1		25	6	5		25									3			67
68	Manhattan Beach, Trinity, Evang. Miss. Society	9			9																

	Day of Prayer	Program Material	PROMOTION DIVISION: Unified Plan	Outreach to Non-Members			Volunteer Service	DIVISION OF SPECIAL GIFTS: Thank Offering				Patron & Protege			Life Membership and "In Memoriam"			Special Aids			Women Students from Cong.			
No. of Society	No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	No Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	No Societies Attended by Non-Members	No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	No. Societies Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	No. Public Thank Offering Services	No. Societies Participating in a Joint Public T. O. Service	No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	No. Native Workers Supported	No. Scholarships	No. Old People Orphans and Babies Supported	No. Life Members Since June 30, 1949	No. In Memoriam Since June 30, 1949	No. Transferals Since June 30, 1949	No. Boxes sent to No. Am. Missions	No. Boxes Sent World Missions	No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Nurses in Training	No. of Society
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—TABLE 2																								
34		30	1	1	1	1	2	1		1	1							7	1					34
35	1		1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1							2						35
36	1		1	1	1	1	3	1		1	1							5						36
37	1				1	1		1		1								2	2					37
38			1	1	1	1	30	1		1	1									1				38
39	1	5			1	1		1		1	1							1	1					39
40		20			1	1		1			1							1						40
41	1	30	1	1	1	1		1		1	1							2						41
42	1	24	1		1	1	10	1			1							2	2	2				42
43	1		1	1	1	1	12			1	1							1						43
44	1	12	1	1	1	1	3	1		1	1							1						44
44	1	5	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1							1						45
46	1	10			1	1		1	1	1	1									1				46
47	1	168	1	1	1	1	78	1	1	1								1	4	2				47
48	1	15		1	1	1	2			1									8	2				48
49	1			1	1	1												1	3					49
50	1	40	1	1		1		1	1	1	1							1						50
51		5			1	1		1		1	1													51
52	1				1	1	5	1		1								7	11					52
53	1	10	1	1	1	1	3	1		1	1							2	1					53
54	1				1	1	15			1									10					54
55			1	1	1	1		1		1	1							1		1				55
56		8	1		1	1					1								4	2				56
57		10	1		1	1		1		1	1								4					57
58	1	95	1	1	1	1	24	1		1	1							7	15	1				58
59					1			1	1	1	1							1	1					59
60		8	1		1				1	1										1				60
61					1	1	41	1	1	1								2	24	10				61
62																								62
63	1			1	1	1	50	1	1	1	1							14	1					63
64	1	25	1		1	1	1	1	1															64
65		2			1		3			1	1								2					65
66	1	21									1													66
67	1	10			1	1	6			1	1							1		1				67
68		5			1	1	1	1										1	7					68

Statistical Report—Women's Missionary Society of the Southern Conference for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1952—Table 2—Cont'd.

No. of Society	FOR CONFERENCE OR SYNODICAL USE: NAME OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY	No. of Members Jan. 31, 1952	MEMBERSHIP: No. Soc. Org. Before Jan. 1, 1952	No. Soc. Org. Since Jan. 1, 1952	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	No. Mems. Under 30 Years of Age	No. New Members Since Jan. 1, 1952	No. Members: Students	No. Members: Homemakers	No. Members: Bus. and Prof.	EDUCATIONAL DIVISION: Mission Study: No. Study Groups: No. Am. Missions	No. Study Groups: World Missions	No. Persons In Groups	No. Persons Completing the Reading Course	Week of Prayer: No. Societies Observing the Week of Prayer	No. Meetings Held	No. Societies Using Program Issued by Ed. Div., W.M.S.	W.W.: No. Subscriptions to Lutheran Woman's Work	Programs: No. Societies Using DATED Monthly Programs	No. Societies Using UNDATED Mo. Programs	No. of Society
	SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																				
69	Monterey Park, St. Pauls Women of the Church	18	1		15		3		15						1		1	20	1		69
70	Monterey Park, St. Pauls (Yowomis Soc.)	15	1		16	9	6		16									20	1		70
71	Norco, Bethany, Wom. of Ch.	10	1		16				13	3		1			1	14					71
72	North Hollywood, St. Matthews (Faith Miss. Soc.)	15	1		34				17	17								34	1		72
73	North Hollywood, St. Matthews, Women of the Church	26	1		23				23									23	1	1	73
74	Pasadena, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	65	1		62			5	45	12	1	1	18		1	1	1	70	1		74
75	Phoenix, Faith, Evening Guild			1	36	4			25	11								17		1	75
76	Phoenix, Faith (Wm. of Ch.)	48	1		35		5		35						1	1	1	18			76
77	Phoenix, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	70	1		70				70		1		8					25	1		77
78	Pomona, Trinity (Wm. of Ch.)	24	1		28	6	5		23	5								17	1		78
79	Redlands, First (Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		15		2		15						1	1	1	10	1		79
80	Redlands, First Women's Guild	18	1		15				15									13			80
81	Riverside, Trinity (Nona Diehl Soc.)	29	1		40	10	12		37	17								11	1		81
82	Riverside, Trinity (W. Miss. Guild)	19	1		20		2		20									10	1		82
83	San Bernardino, First (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		50	4			40	10	1	1	15		1	1	1	15	1		83
84	San Fernando, St. Marks (Wm. of Ch.)	21	1		21																84
85	San Diego, Christ (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		53										1	5	1	30			85
86	San Diego, First (Jr. Wm. of Ch.)	15	1		17	9	2				1		15	7	1	1	1		1		86
87	San Diego, First, Women of the Church	29	1		26				26						1	15	1	14	1		87
88	San Diego, First (Wm. of Ch.—Eve.)	16	1		16				3	13				2	1	1	1	16	1		88
89	San Diego, St. Peters, Women of the Church	28	1		28				23	5		1	28		1	3		10			89
90	Santa Ana, United Lutheran, Dorcas Miss. Society	21	1		22	5	3		21	1								25	1		90
91	Santa Ana, United Lutheran, Isabel Miss. Society	13	1		17	12	4	2	12	3	1	1	12					40	1		91
92	Santa Barbara, Grace (Wm. of Ch.)	50	1		50													7	1		92
93	Santa Monica, St. Pauls (Guild & Miss. Soc.)	77	1		69		7		61	8		1	15		1	5	1	32	1		93
94	Tucson, Our Saviours (Wm. of Ch.)	35	1		40		5		23	17				1	1	5	1	23	1		94
95	Van Nuys, St. Andrews (Wm. of Ch.)	23	1		38		10		26	2								20	1		95
96	Westwood Village, Village Luth. (Miss. Guild)	25	1		30		5		30									3			96
97	Whittier, Salem, Missionary Friends			1	20	8			12										1		97
98	Whittier, Salem, Women of the Church	30	1		20	2	2		20									12	1	1	98
	TOTAL SOUTHERN CONFERENCE	2128	62	3	2159	176	225	7	1577	338	12	25	480	27	29	95	22	1397	38	9	
	GRAND TOTAL BOTH CONFERENCES	3004	91	7	3261	320	404	7	2353	589	25	44	658	59	42	140	29	1820	60	13	

No. of Society	Day of Prayer: No. Societies Participating in World Day of Prayer	Program Material: No. Members Using Daily Devotional Materials	Unified Plan: No. Societies Using Unified Organization Plan	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Distributing Literature to Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Attended by Non-Members	Outreach to Non-Members: No. Societies Planning Meetings for Non-Members	Volunteer Service: No. Members Volunteer Workers in Social Agencies	Thank Offering: No. Public Thank Offering Services	Thank Offering: No. Societies Participating in a joint Public T. O. Service	Thank Offering: No. Societies Sending Quarterly Thank Offering	Thank Offering: No. Societies Having Increased Thank Offering	Patron & Protege: No. Native Workers Supported	Patron & Protege: No. Scholarships	Patron & Protege: No. Old People, Orphans and Babies Supported	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Life Members Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. In Memoriam Since Jun. 30, 1949	Life Membership and "In Memoriam": No. Transferals Since Jun. 30, 1949	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent to No. Am. Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent World Missions	Special Aids: No. Boxes Sent Synod. Missions	Students from Cong.: In Lutheran Institutions	Students from Cong.: In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Students from Cong.: Nurses in Training	No. of Society
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—Continued																								
69	1	15		1	1		3	1	1	1	1							2	2	1				69
70	1	12	1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1							2	1					70
71	1		1	1	1	1	16		1										6					71
72	1			1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1							4	1					72
73	1	23	1		1	1		1	1	1								4	1					73
74	1		1	1	1	1	30	1		1								3	3					74
75					1		4		1															75
76	1		1	1	1	1	15	1	1									7	3	5				76
77	1		1	1	1		70	1										9	5					77
78				1	1	1		1	1	1	1							3	1					78
79	1	6	1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1													79
80	1				1		1	1	1	1	1													80
81						1			1	1	1							3	1	1				81
82	1	20			1			1	1	1	1							1		2				82
83	1	30	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1							2	1					83
84																								84
85	1				1	1		1		1	1													85
86	1	9	1		1	1		1	1	1								1	1					86
87	1	26		1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1							4		1				87
88	1	16		1	1	1	16	1	1	1	1													88
89	1	28	1	1	1	1	15	1		1								1						89
90		22		1	1		5	1	1	1	1							2	1					90
91		17		1	1	1	13	1	1	1	1							3	2					91
92	1		1	1	1	1		1		1									10					92
93	1		1		1		27	1			1							4						93
94	1	40	1	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1							3	14	1				94
95			1	1	1	1		1																95
96	1	30	1		1	1	2			1								2						96
97			1		1	1		1	1	1								1						97
98	1	3	1		1	1	1	1	1	1								2	2					98
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	65	1283	55	53	90	72	624	74	38	71	57							159	347	47				

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CLERICAL ROLL	Year Ordained	Entered Synod	Conference	ADDRESS OF MINISTER	CONGREGATION SERVED	LAY DELEGATE	LAYMAN'S ADDRESS
Ackerman, J. Emory, Th.D.	1944	1944	—	Fremont, Nebraska	Midland College		
Allport, Thomas A.	1944	1950	N	P.O. Box 227, Lihue Kauai, T.H.	Lihue Lutheran Church		
Alm, Arthur W.	1942	1943	S	832 Marshall Blvd., San Bernardino	First English	Norman E. Myking	1480 Belle, San Bernardino
Alsop, Albert	1944	1945	—	Pringles 119, Olavarria FNGR, Buenos Aires, Argentina	Foreign Miss.		
Andersen, Edward R.	1953	1954	N	18 Monte Veda Drive, Orinda	Shepherd of the Valley	Carl S. Heskathorn	10 Arbor Way, LaFayette
Anspach, Howard A., D.D.	1913	1930	S	3827 Wellington Rd., Los Angeles 8	St. Mark's	W. E. Lebold	843 W. 40th Place, L. A. 37
Arbaugh, William C.	1950		S	1304 S. Bruce, Las Vegas, Nevada	Reformation	Mrs. Mary Fenner	606 Stewart, Las Vegas, Nev.
Arthur, Richard C.	1953	1954	N	417 S. Oregon St., Yreka	Mt. Zion	E. J. Hjertager	711 N. Main, Yreka
Attwood, George K.	1951	1951	N	1133 O'Farrell St., San Francisco	St. Mark's, Assist.		
Awerkamp, Orval A.	1935	1935	S	2336 Oregon Ave., Long Beach	Trinity	Lawrence Michelson	2332 Oregon Ave., Long Beach 6
Balsley, Glen O.	1945	1947	N	1309 Toulumne St., Vallejo	St. Paul's	David L. Bolystone	2008 Holly St., Vallejo
Barnhart, E. Paul	1952	1953	S	324 S. Louise Ave., Azusa	Calvary	Emil Sauer	6735 N. Grand Ave., Glendora, Cal.
Beasom, James P., Jr., D.D.	1923	1937	S	1650 Capistrano Ave., Glendale 8	President of Synod		
Benko, Vlad P.	1945	1949	S	1317 Sunset Cliffs, San Diego	St. Peter's	John A. Titlow	650 Highland Hills, El Cajon
Bergstresser, Philip W.	1944	1944	N	1824 55th Ave., Oakland	St. John's	Mrs. Fred L. Goodridge	2230 47th Ave., Oakland
Bishop, James P.	1953	1954	S	921 Pepper Dr., El Cajon, Calif.	New Mission		
Blough, Wm. H.	1928	1949	S	4427 Overland Ave., Culver City	Grace	Eugene A. Hoeftman	4236 Keystone Ave., Culver City
Bjarnason, B. A.	1934	1954	S	5842 E. Second Ave., Long Beach	Gloria Dei	Mrs. Anna Jergensen	118 Via Di Roma Walk, Long Bch
Bonker, Milus W.	1945	1946	N	556 31st St., Richmond	Grace	R. T. Ash	727 34th St., Richmond 2
Bowman, J. William	1948	1949	S	1162 N. Huntington Blvd., Pomona	Trinity	Vernon M. Weigand	1095 E. Phillips Blvd., Pomona
Bremer, Otto A.	1953	1954	N	2311 Bowditch St., Berkeley 4	No. Calif. Luth. Stud. Foundation		
Clark, Charles J.	1951	1951	N	Clark and Pacific Sts., Placerville	Trailer Ministry		
Claus, August S.	1943	1943	N	2112 Lotus Ave., Fresno 6	St. Paul's	Carl Brase	2233 Holly St., Fresno 6
Click, E. Dale	1944	1944	—	34 West End Ave., Summit, N. J.	Bd. of Social Missions		
Clutz, Frank H.	1931	1949	S	805 E. Camelback Rd., Phoenix,	Faith	Gilbert E. Olson	1851 W. Northern, Phoenix
Crouser, Clarence F.	1930	1930	N	187 N. Tenth St., San Jose	Grace	Carl A. Lindberg	485 Minor Ave., San Jose 10
Dorn, J. George, D.D.	1915	1927	N	1135 O'Farrell St., San Francisco 9	St. Mark's	A. E. Williamson	2549 Laguna St., San Francisco
Dowler, Hugh	1930	1954	N	150 N. "U" St., Fresno, Calif.	Mission	F. Winters	2252 S. Brawley Ave., Fresno
Ebright, O. W., D.D.	1919	1952	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra	Executive Director, California Lutheran Home for the Aged		
Ederma, Bruno	1925	1951	S	2675 Sierra Ave., Norco	Bethany	Kenneth L. Prielipp	1958 Hamner, Norca
Edwards, W. Morgan	1942	1953	N	2940 39th St., Sacramento 17	First English	Donald V. Petersen	521 Sandbury Dr., Sacramento
Endter, Charles A.	1952	1953	N	418 Rigg St., Santa Cruz	St. Stephen's	H. H. Hendrickson	412 Laurent St., Santa Cruz
Failing, L. A.	1934	1946	S	2450 N. Parish Pl., Burbank	Luther Memorial	O. H. Lynn	1031 E. Palm, Burbank
Fellner, M. John	1948	1949	S	2064 5th St., San Fernando	St. Mark's	William A. Bock	15741 Lassen St., San Fernando
Fincher, James M.	1953	1954	N	P. O. Box 6116, Honolulu 18, Hawaii	Pearl Harbor		
Flora, George R.	1936	1951	N	Rt. 1, Box 208, Santa Clara, Calif.	Bethany	Carson H. Mock	1679 Los Padres Blvd., Santa Clara
Foelsch, Charles B., Ph.D., D.D.	1915	1953	N	2770 Marin Ave., Berkeley 8	Pres., Pacific Luth. Theol. Sem.		
Foerster, John D., S.T.M.	1943	1951	S	908 Church St., Redlands	First	Edward A. Lagerquist	618 Alverado St., Redlands
Garman, Quentin P.	1944	1947	S	1108 Diamond St., San Diego	Christ	D. S. Haley	3910 Haines St., San Diego 9
Glidewell, Jack W.	1949	1950	S	Box 1673, Globe, Arizona	St. Paul's	Milton Cameron	Pioneer Hotel, Box 1988, Globe, Ar
Harjunpaa, Toivo	1936	1954	N	2750 Marin Ave., Berkeley 8, Calif.	Shepherd of the Hills		
Hartzhein, Kenneth E.	1953	1954	N	655 Geary St., San Francisco	First United	Chas. Graeber	210 11th Ave., San Francisco
Heinecken, F. W.	1929	1945	S	4162 Rubidoux, Riverside, Calif.	Trinity	Albert L. Row	5576 Mission Blvd., Riverside
Hidy, Albert S.	1951	1951	N	16248 Carolyn St., San Leandro	Epiphany	Raymond C. Brown	16059 Selborne Dr., San Leandro
Hidy, Ross F.	1942	1945	N	3045 Hillegass, Berkeley 5	St. Michael's	Wm. B. Scheehl	5924 Contra Costa Rd., Oakland

HOLAND, CLIFFORD B.	1927	1938	S	8320 Rayford Dr., Los Angeles 45	Transfiguration	Casper B. Taw	3486 Clarington Ave., L. A. 34
HUDSON, GUY L.	1930	1930	S	8838 Rosewood Ave., L. A. 48	Beverly Hills		
JENSON, NEALE O.	1952	1953	S	8534 S. Lowman Ave., Rivera, Calif.	Christ	John Spomer	11332 Bayla St., Norwalk
KJELDAHL, RAGNER	1940	1949	N	738 Folkstone Ave., San Mateo, Cal.	Enb. Branch Y.M.C.A.		
KLEINBERGS, OSCAR D.	1933	1952	S	2203½ S. Budlong Ave., L.A. 7	Peace (Latvian)	Lusis Fanis	1642 Cedar Ave., Long Beach
KLOVER, WM. W., D.D.	1931	1953	S	431 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	Glenn Jackson	715 17th St., Santa Monica
KOTTER, VERNON E.	1935	1954	N	5 Sunnyside Dr., Reno, Nev.	Good Shepherd	H. Jerome Seim	150 W. 10th St., Reno, Nev.
KNUDTEN, ARTHUR C., PH.D.	1920	1943	N	921 Saginomiya Nichome Nakanoku Tokyo, Japan	Japanese Luth. Theo. Sem.		
KOHLER, HENRY IRVING, D.D.	1919	1930	S	7011 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 3.	Bethany	H. G. Vogel	7700 Miramonte Blvd., L. A. 1
LAMBERTS, EDUARDS J.	1938	1951	N	1128 "N" St., Sanger	St. Paul's	Mrs. Anna Yost	432 Howley St., Sanger
LINTON, KENNETH E.	1947	1948	N	926 Gold St., Redding	United	Dan Morgan	P. O. Box 904, Redding
LORIMER, HAROLD J.	1944	1944	S	1961 East Villa St., Pasadena	Supply—St. Paul's, Monterey Park		
LUCAS, HERMAN	1923	1925	N	544 Belvedere St., San Francisco 17.	St. Matthew's	Albert L. Gercke	10 Pemberton Pl., San Francisco 14
MATTSON, EDWARD J., S.T.D.	1927	1947	N	1715 Solano Ave., Berkeley 7, Calif.	Ex. Director, Lutheran Welfare Council of Northen California		
MERTZ, LOUIS F.	1946	1946	S	3906 San Anseline, Long Beach 8	Lakewood	Tom Morgan	6812 Belice Ave., Long Beach 15
MEYER, CHRISTIAN H.	1944	1951	S	14301 Martha St., Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	Cal Thompson	7332 Balboa Blvd., Van Nuys
MEYER, J. HENRY	1930	1954	N	643 28th Ave., San Mateo, Calif.	St. Andrew's	Fred Lett	1205 Vancouver Ave., Burlingame
MILEY, CHARLES A.	1929	1946	N	2720 58th St., Sacramento 17	St. Paul's	Gustav Fenske	4409 54th St., Sacramento 17
MILLER, ELDON R.	1944	1944	—	900 Story Place, Alhambra, Calif.	Grace	Frank Wheeler	313 N. Sierra Vista St., Monterey Pk
MILLER, L. S. G., D.D.	1907	1954	S	2514 6th Ave., Los Angeles 18, Calif.	Missionary to the Japanese		
MOYER, CARL H.	1933	1950	S	2246 Paloma St., Pasadena 7	Trinity	Alfred J. Spindt	99 N. Roosevelt Ave., Pasadena 8
NICKEL, RAYMOND L.	1945	1951	S	2071 So. Broadway, Santa Ana	United	Lawrence Peterman	396 E. 21st St., Costa Mesa
NIELD, JOHN B., PH.D.	1943	1943	S	11613 E. Bryant Rd., El Monte	Redeemer	Elbert O. Maltby	1030 Service Ave., West Covina
OLSON, GOODWIN T.	1929	1951	N	725 Lansing Way, Fresno 4	Faith		
OLSON, STANLEY E.	1952	1953	S	2222 S. 4th Ave., Yuma, Ariz.	Faith	Fred C. Jones	1451 6th Ave., Yuma, Ariz.
PEDERSON, GERALD O.	1951	1951	S	520 N. LaSena, West Covina, Calif.	Ascension	Bob Stevens	2339 Pacific, Baldwin Park
ROBISON, DAVID E.	1937	1947	S	6444 So. Glengarry Ave., Whittier	Salem United	Oscar L. Evenson	10722 Rose Hedge Drive, Whittier
ROMEIS, H. PAUL	1931	1936	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L.A. 5	Assistant to the President of Synod		
ROMEIS, ROBERT S.	1938	1938	N	1709 L St., Sacramento 14	St. John's	Edwin H. Hooper	4208 Lyle St., Sacramento 21
RUCCIUS, WALTER M., D.D.	1917	1951	S	1109 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara	Grace	Kenneth Guest	1733 Loma St., Santa Barbara
SCHERCH, RICHARD O.	1951	1954	S	742 27th St., Manhattan Beach, Cal.	Trinity	John Ewald	1800 5th St., Manhattan Beach
SCHERER, HENRY H.	1928	1943	S	1329 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles 6	Advent	R. P. Frederick	617 N. New Hampshire Apt. 6, L.A. 6
SCHLUNTZ, HAROLD P.	1953	1954	S	820 N. Grand St., Orange, Calif.	New Mission		
SCHOLL, TITUS R.	1938	1946	S	197 W. Foothill Blvd., Altadena	Altadena	Oscar C. Brandin	3023 N. Grandeur Ave., Altadena
SCHOTT, FRANKLIN H.	1942	1952	S	4046 E. Cambridge, Phoenix, Ariz.	Mt. of Olives	Lester Bierbaum	4234 E. Cheery Lynn Rd., Phoenix
SCHROEDER, PETER C., JR.	1953	1954	N	5640 El Sereno Ave., Mountain View,	New Mission		
SCHWERTZ, ALBERT B., D.D.	1924	1941	S	3119 W. Sixth St., Los Angeles 5	First English	Howard A. Weisman	110 North Detroit St., L. A. 36
SENFT, KENNETH C.	1952	1953	N	227 D St., Redwood City	Messiah	F. Donald Schwartz	470 Garden St., E. Palo Alto
SIMMONS, JOHN G.	1942	1951	S	11031 Camarillo St., No. Hlywd.	St. Matthew's	Wendell E. Larson	730 N. Fairview, Burbank
SMITH, CHARLES P.	1938	1943	S	2721 E. Florence Huntington Park.	St. Luke's	Paul S. Hahn	6940 Marconi St., Huntington Park
SMITH, FREDERICK A., TH.D.	1931	1945	S	1371 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 15	Executive Director of Lutheran Welfare of Southern Calif.		
SOLDAN, A. J., D.D.	1901	1929	S	11421 Waterford St., Los Angeles 24.	Westwood Village		
SPINDT, GEORGE A.	1945	1945	S	1946 E. Helen St., Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	Oscar H. Waesch	2940 E. 19th St., Tucson, Ariz.
SPIRER, EDWARD N., D.D.	1930	1931	S	3119 W. Sixth St., L. A. 5	Director, Church Extension Division		
STEFFENS, GEORGE E.	1952	1953	N	2830 Wrindals Way, Sacramento 21.	Our Redeemer	John H. Perkins	3201 Adams Rd., Sacramento 21
STEINHAUS, JOHN R.	1953	1954	S	5027 Ambrose, Hollywood 27, Calif.	Hollywood	David M. Lingle	6777 Hollywood Blvd., Rm. 316,
STUHR, WALTER M.	1931	1948	S	328 S. Marengo Ave., Alhambra	Our Saviour's	Martin C. Stuhr	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra
STUMP, JOHN P.	1940	1948	S	1308 Salisbury Rd., La Canada	Foothill	Otto Randall	3702 Santa Carlotta, La Crescenta
STURTEVANT, LLOYD	1953	1954	S	3040 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach 10.	Faith	Gilbert Hage	3040 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach
SWANSON, FRANKLIN A.	1938	1942	N	3660 Pahoa Ave., Honolulu 16	St. Paul's		

Tambert, Carl V.	1932	1946	S	233 S. Kenwood, Glendale 5, Calif.	First	Howard Logan	757 Pioneer Dr., Glendale
Toepel, Douglas	1954	1954	N	15 Latona St., San Francisco 24, Cal.	Temple	Mrs. Anna Roeder	1498 Pulvu Ave., San Francisco
Valbracht, Edw. F., S.T.M., D.D.	1915	1951	S	1365 Linden Ave., Glendale	First, Glendale, Associate Pastor		
Vosseler, Erwin A.	1920	1941	S	1320 2nd Ave., San Diego 1	First	Robert J. Miller	1431 Santa Barbara Ave., San Diego
Vosseler, E. Gene	1953	1954	S	Georgetown, British Guiana, S. A.	Foreign Missionary		
Wagner, Donald E.	1945	1945	N	1283 Holman Rd., Oakland 10	First English	Mrs. Lloyd Duttera	4635 Kapham Ave., Oakland
Wallner, W. E.	1931	1953	S	1857 Cochran Ave., L. A. 19	Jewish Mission		
Weaver, J. Benner	1944	1944	S	3120 W. 81st St., Inglewood	Holy Trinity		
Wheatley, Robert C.	1947	1949	S	1204 W. 163rd St., Gardena	St. John's	August C. Janssen	16120 S. Menlo Ave., Gardena
Wolpert, Paul H.	1943	1943	N	64 Fountain Way, Fresno	First	Donald R. Fey	316 W. Shaw Ave., Fresno
Youngquist, James A.	1952	1953	S	5618 Verdura, Lakewood, Calif.	Mount Olivet	Henry J. Woolley	17106 Bioby Ave., Bellflower
Vacant			N	Concord, Calif.	Good Shepherd	Clayton M. Lee	2778 Mayfair Ave., Concord
Vacant			N	1565 Dominis at Punahou, Honolulu			
Vacant			S	5842 E. 2nd St., Long Beach 3	Gloria Dei	Mrs. Anna S. Jorgensen	118 Via Di Roma Walk, L. B. 3
Vacant			S	2009 Garfield Ave., Monterey Park	St. Paul's		
Vacant			S	1124 N. 3rd St., Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	Mrs. Roger C. Thomas	135 E. Missouri, Phoenix, Ariz.
Vacant			N	1963 Carlson Blvd., Richmond 6	St. James'	Mrs. L. J. McDonald	5718 Burlingame Ave., Richmond

CHAPLAINS

Forsythe, Willis J., Lt. S.G.	1946	1947	S	(USS MASSEY) PD778 Com Des. Ron 16, Staff F.P.O., New York
May, Erwin T., Lt. Col.	1931	1931	N	Bldg. 208, Ft. Mason, S.F.P.E., San Francisco
Miley, Dwight L.	1936	1946	N	Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Meade, South Dakota
Mosling, Donald, C.M.,LCDR.	1943	1951		2nd Bn. 123rd Inf. Regt., Ft. Lewis, Wash.
Schwenk, Elwood	1921	1947	N	412 Morago Ave., Piedmont 11, Chap. Vet. Adm. Hospital, Oakland
Vosseler, Lawrence	1941	1941	N	Chaplain's Office, U. S. Naval Hospital, Oakland 14, Calif.
Wharton, Paul C.	1938	1949	S	3316½ W. 77th St., Los Angeles 43, Chaplain, Santa Monica & California Hospitals
Wright, Edward Dewitt, Cdr.	1923	1937	S	CHC, USN, U. S. Naval Hosp., San Diego 34

RETIRED

Bitter, John C.	1917	1933	N	603 E. St., Fresno 6, Calif.
Broyer, John R., Ph.D.	1896	1912	N	1622 Great Highway, San Francisco 22
Fieblekorn, Albert	1903	1921	S	275 N. Alta Vista, Monrovia
Gray, Louis G., Th.D.	1921	1951	S	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Groseclose, Albert L.	1911	1945	S	1755 Ashdale, Pasadena 4
Harshman, L. A.	1907	1944	S	1308½ Talmadge St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.
Harter, Norman N.	1895	1911	S	500 S. Kingsley St., Los Angeles 5, Calif.
Herold, J. S., D.D.	1900	1939	N	138 N. 11th St., Miamisburg, Ohio
Hoick, John Edward, D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1898	S	1091 Leighton Ave., Los Angeles 37
Hormann, Arthur, Ph.D.	1911	1947	N	P. O. Box 2922, Honolulu, T.H.
Kohls, George H.	1913	1951	N	2451 Webster St., Berkeley, Calif.
Leech, Harvey M.	1894	1919 (1912)	S	2424 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, Calif.
Lindsay, H. C.	1931	1942	S	1007 E. Smith Ave., Phoenix, Ariz.
Meyer, Emil	1900	1919	N	3900 Lakeshore, Oakland 10
Moyer, F.E.	1912	1944	S	2404 F St., San Diego 2
Oehler, Charles F., D.D.	1888	1893	N	1713 J St., Sacramento 14
Poat, Wm. F., Ll.D.	1901	1920	N	3710 Mintern St., Riverside
Schmidt, Henry F.	1895	1930	S	646 Cerritos Ave., Long Beach 12
Snyder, Daniel J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1903	1908	S	2085 Linden St., Long Beach 6
Trabert, E. A., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1919	N	21 Chestnut Ave., Los Gatos, Calif.
Weaver, H. J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1900	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra

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CONVENTIONS OF THE SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

	PLACE	Date	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	Pastors	Congregations
1	Los Angeles	1891	Rev. O. C. Miller	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Mr. John Everding	8	5
2	San Francisco	1892	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Mr. John Everding	10	6
3	Sacramento	1893	Rev. Philip Graif	Rev C. W. Maggart	Mr. John Everding	12	8
4	San Diego	1894	Rev. M. H. Stine	Rev. J. S. Simon	Mr. John Everding	16	10
5	Los Angeles	1895	Rev. C. W. Maggart	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Mr. John Everding	17	9
6	San Jose	1896	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	17	11
7	Oakland	1897	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	20	12
8	Sacramento	1898	Rev. E. Nelander, Ph.D.	Rev. J. W. Ball	Mr. John Everding	20	11
9	San Diego	1899	Rev. J. W. Ball	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
10	San Francisco	1900	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	17	10
11	Los Angeles	1901	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	10
12	Alameda	1902	Rev. William Kelly	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
13	Sacramento	1903	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	13
14	Riverside	1904	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	21	14
15	San Jose	1905	Rev. H. J. Weaver	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	24	16
16	Sacramento	1906	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	22	18
17	Redlands	1907	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	27	20
18	Santa Barbara	1908	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	20
19	Fresno	1909	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	21
20	San Francisco	1910	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	29	21
21	San Diego	1911	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	30	22
22	Los Angeles	1912	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	41	24
23	Sacramento	1913	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	42	27
24	Santa Barbara	1914	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	43	28
25	Mt. Hermon	1915	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	44	29
26	Long Beach	1916	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. M. N. Harter	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	29
27	San Francisco	1917	Rev. C. F. Oehler, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	30
28	Pasadena	1918	Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	45	30
29	Oakland	1919	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	46	30
30	San Diego	1920	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	51	30
31	San Jose	1921	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	32

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32	Los Angeles	1922	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	32
33	San Francisco	1923	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	33
34	San Diego	1924	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	35
35	San Francisco	1926	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	60	35
36	Glendale	1927	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. S. T. Himes, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	66	38
37	Oakland	1928	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	63	38
38	Hollywood	1929	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Richard H. Trojan	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	58	37
39	Sacramento	1930	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	37
40	Long Beach	1931	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	64	37
41	San Francisco	1932	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	68	38
42	Los Angeles	1933	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	65	36
43	Oakland	1934	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	62	36
44	Riverside	1935	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	64	35
45	San Francisco	1936	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, D.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	63	37
46	Phoenix, Arizona	1937	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	66	37
47	Sacramento	1938	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	37
48	Santa Monica	1939	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	60	37
49	San Jose	1940	Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	57	36
50	Los Angeles	1941	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	38
51	Sacramento	1942	Rev. Wm. H. Derr, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	38
52	Glendale	1943	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	67	39
53	San Francisco	1944	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	68	39
54	Pasadena	1945	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	83	42
55	Oakland	1946	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	90	46
56	Hollywood	1947	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	101	52
57	San Diego	1948	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	99	60
58	San Francisco	1949	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	65	61
59	Huntington Park	1950	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	73	68
60	Sacramento	1951	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	110	72
61	Los Angeles	1952	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	115	80
62	Richmond	1953	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	122	83
63	Long Beach	1954	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	131	87

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of the

Sixty-Third Annual Convention

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest

FIRST SESSION

The 63rd Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest was opened in Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California, on February 1, 1954 with the service of Holy Communion beginning at 7:30 p.m. with the following participants: Homilist, The Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., President of Synod; Liturgist, The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary of Synod; Lector, The Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President; Administrants, The Rev. Milus Banker and The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, Presidents of Conferences.

SECOND SESSION

February 2, 1954—9:00 a.m.

The second session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "We Hold a Trust From God."

The Rev. Orval Awerkamp, Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, was introduced and welcomed the Convention. He introduced Mr. Lawrence Michelsen, Chairman of the Council, who welcomed the Convention.

Dr. Daniel Snyder, Pastor Emeritus of Trinity Church, was introduced to the Convention by the President of Synod.

The Rev. L. A. Failing presented the report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel. He made the motion that the printed program be the official program of the Synod. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Lyman Sutter, Mayor of Long Beach, was presented to the Convention and brought greetings.

The Secretary presented a list of Committees for the Convention. Motion prevailed that the following be the official Committees:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:	Dr. J. George Dorn, Chairman
	Rev. John Stump
	Dr. Howard A. Anspach
	Mrs. Roger Thomas
	Fred Lett
CLAIMS:	Rev. Clarence Crouser, Chairman
	Mr. Wayne Pfundstein
	Mr. Carl Bell
LETTERS AND PAPERS:	Dr. Albert B. Schwertz, Chairman
	Rev. Albert Hidy
	A. W. Spindt
TELLERS:	Rev. Titus Scholl, Chairman
	Rev. Quentin Garman, Co-chairman
	Women of Congregation of Trinity Church, Long Beach

CONVENTION PUBLICITY:	Rev. Orval Awerkamp, Chairman Mr. Howard Logan, Reporter to Lutheran
LAY COMMITTEE	Mr. Paul Thomas, Chairman
EXCUSES:	Rev. Glen O. Balsley, Chairman Rev. Goodwin Olson Emil Sauer
ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY:	Rev. John Simmons
COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:	Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, Chairman Rev. Elwood Schwenk Dr. Edward Mattson

The Rev. Franklin A. Swanson presented leis to Dr. and Mrs. Beasom as an expression of gratitude and love from the congregations in the Hawaiian Islands.

The Rev. H. Paul Romeis presented the Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., President of the Pacific Synod and U.L.C.A. representative to the Convention.

Dr. Paul Dieckman, President of Midland College, was presented and welcomed to the Convention.

The Rev. Arthur Knudten, Ph.D., member of the Synod and a member of the faculty of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Japan, was welcomed to the Convention.

Dr. L. S. G. Miller, former Missionary in Japan and now beginning Japanese work in Los Angeles, was presented to the Convention.

Rev. James R. Spaid from Chicago, Chaplain in the United States Navy, was presented to the Convention by the Rev. Ragnar Kjeldahl.

Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President of Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, was presented and welcomed to the Convention.

Pastor and Mrs. Charles Witthoft, on assignment to Japan who are working for Synod temporarily as Mission Developers at West Covina, were presented to the Convention.

The President's report was presented and the motion prevailed that the report be received and presented to the Committee on the President's Report with the stipulation that if it seems advisable that additional material be added to the report, this be permitted later.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF CALIFORNIA

"Moreover, we know that to those who love God, who are called according to His plan, everything fits into a pattern for good." Romans VIII, 28. (J. B. Phillips translation.)

Four times the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California has elected and called me to the Office of the President of Synod: Twice as Pastor-President and twice as full-time President. Thus, four times I have been installed in this office of the President of Synod. Four times I have taken very seriously every portion of the Service of Installation and I have felt sincerely and consciously that all of Synod was praying for me in that prayer of Installation which contains five petitions to Almighty God.

I. The first petition: "The Lord direct you in all your ways." I am frank to confess that in many of my ways in this Office God must not have been well pleased, but I have sincerely felt that the Lord was using many means to direct me so that His people numbered in this Synod might be privileged to do His Will in the building of His Kingdom, both on the territory of Synod and beyond its borders through its benevolences. I am confident that much of what has been accomplished during this period in this Office would not have been accomplished had not He been the force in the direction of it all, for even that which seemingly I did not want to do that He brought me to do.

II. The second petition: "Strengthen you by His Grace." How grateful I am for our loving and merciful Saviour, Who has seen fit to show me in no uncertain manner His power to strengthen me in body, in mind and spirit, even though I deserved his chastisement alone. How can I thank the Church for this petition in this prayer, for I say with St. Paul that by the grace of God I am what I am.

III. "Enrich you for your ministry." On so many occasions He has opened my eyes to see His miracle: The salvation of souls, the birth of congregations, the ministry of the word and sacraments, the ministry of mercy, the calling of souls to service, the creations of institutions of love and learning, and in so many and so varied ways. For all of these, I can only thank, praise, and seek continually to serve Him as He may see fit to use me.

IV. "Fill you with faith and love." Time and again I have told you that I did not know where we were going, only did I know that He was leading, leading us onward and onward. In a very real way we were given strength in your prayers to stand on the promises and believe that He would go with us if we would but serve in His Name, in love. In this way, He has shown us fields and congregations have come into being. He has shown us plans and money has been made available and men have been willing to enter into the fields and serve. He has laid upon our hearts needs and strange as it may seem, those needs have brought into being through His Church the institutions which are a part of our Synod and others in various areas of the whole Church the world over. How wonderfully He has done it all.

V. "Give you all joy in believing." As I now review these years which you have permitted me to serve, I sincerely and truly can say: "I count it 'all joy in believing,' that He has been willing to use, yes, even me." And strange as it seems to me, He could use me, for it appears to me that by the power of His Holy Spirit, His very body, the Church of Jesus Christ, is here manifest in the works and life of the Kingdom.

The Installation Service was not just a ritual those four times I was inducted into this Office, but a service of the Church of our Living Lord and the prayer of Installation was offered and the above petitions uttered by believing souls within the Church, this Synod, with the sincere hope: That I might fulfill the Office to which I was elected and called to the honor and the praise of Almighty God.

As I now once more return the Office of the President of Synod to this Convention of Synod, I would make no judgment or comments on that which has transpired over these period of years. Instead I place them upon the Altar of our Lord and God and before the Synod, with the prayer that they may be acceptable in His sight and that what has been done may be used in the continuing years to come in an ever-increasing manner to His praise and honor and to the extension of His Kingdom.

As we begin the sessions of this our Sixty-Third Annual Convention, may we be guided by the Holy Spirit alone, that we may learn His plan for us, for, "we know that to those who love God, who are called according to His plan, everything fits into a pattern for good." Thus that we might have a good Convention, let us one and all pray for guidance for His plan for us.

As the reports are given, there will be revealed to each of us, if we will but seek the help of the Lord, the way in which we shall both act and vote that all may be pleasing to Him. A few of the items that shall come before us, your President now presents to you:

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED. We have now had a full year of the ministry of Dr. O. W. Ebright as the Director of our California Lutheran Home for the Aged. Under his understanding and able leadership the Home has moved forward to the place where it is now an outstanding institution of our Church and self-supporting in its program. Your President of Synod requests that each pastor and each congregation make provision for Dr. Ebright to present the appeal of the Home and the information regarding the Home to the congregations of Synod. We must not withhold this ministry of mercy and all the joys therein from our people. All must feel a part of, and having a share in, its every experience.

THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY. Far beyond our highest expectations the first year of our Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary came to a close in the Spring of 1953. Many of its graduates are now pastors of our Synod, leading the work of the Church in a magnificent way. We have all felt the strengthening of our congregations and of our Synod by this institution of higher education on our territory. We are truly grateful for the leadership of our Seminary in its President, the Rev. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch.

THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION. I am sure that there is no question in any of the minds of our people or our pastors that our greatest need is found in our guidance and our leadership training of our youth. We shall always owe a great debt of gratitude for the work that is being done for our young people under the excellent ministry of the Rev. John Foerster. The year 1953 has been a year in which we have sought to give emphasis in a Youth Crusade. The report will be given to the Convention of Synod, but the report should not end at this Convention, for this shall be in the days of our immediate future a need which shall demand our sincere prayers and our every assistance.

THE MARCH OF MISSIONS. The year 1953 has been another year in the great March of Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California. A number of new congregations will be received at this Convention of Synod, a number of other congregations are coming into being under the leadership of Board Missionaries and mission pastors. To all of the mission developers your President of Synod would extend, through Synod, a word of deep gratitude and to each congregation, a sincere Christian welcome into the fellowship of Synod. Let us go forward into the year ahead with continuing enthusiasm in our March of Missions.

THE BUDGET OF SYNOD. In the presentation of the Budget of Synod your President has a sense of deep responsibility to his Office, for he recognizes that the plan of our Lord and the extension of His Kingdom is found in almost every item that is involved in the Budget and thus he would place it upon the heart of the Church so that each delegate, pastor and lay present, and each congregation of Synod might rise up not only to accept the apportioned quota assigned, but might begin the New Year of 1954 with a definite determination to go the second mile and to pay in apportionment to the Synod of California for the Causes of the Church, 110% or 120%. This can be done if we all, in prayer, will present honestly before our people the tremendous task that lies ahead.

When one studies the Budget of Synod, one must recognize that the Synod is a constituent part of The United Lutheran Church in America and thus approximately 50% of the Budget of Synod should be allocated for the apportionment of The United Lutheran Church in America and all the Causes of the Church. That which we contribute in benevolence for The United Lutheran Church in America does not only give us opportunity to participate in all of the Causes of the whole Church, but likewise in that which comes back to this territory to assist us to enter fields and to go on the continuing March of Missions. We shall always be grateful to the Board of American Missions of our United Lutheran Church, which at this present moment has invested

over $1,000,000.00 in loans to our congregations, making it possible for many of our people to worship in houses dedicated to the honor and glory of Almighty God. There are many other of our congregations that are still unhoused. We must still seek, through the Church, for assistance for these congregations. Besides the material buildings, the Board of American Missions assists in salaries and other grants to congregations to make possible the ministry of our mission pastors and makes possible all of the salary of our Board Missionaries for the developing fields. If it were only for this Cause alone, we should go the second mile or more and grant to The United Lutheran Church more than 100% of its benevolent budget from Synod. Because of this 50-50 proportion for our Budget that we might insure and protect the needs of the larger Church, it is difficult for Synod to place in its Budget all of the demands that come to our congregations and come to Synod. Thus it is necessary for Synod to find other ways and means to give assistance to these activities.

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION. The year 1953 found the greatest difficulty in Synod in raising our Lutheran World Action, while almost every other Synod of The United Lutheran Church and every Church of the National Lutheran Council found it easy and raised 100% or more of its benevolent goals for Lutheran World Action. I can only, as President of Synod, place more heavily upon the hearts of the Church this dynamic need throughout the whole world. Here is our opportunity for wider giving and truly showing the Christian spirit to the needy areas of the Church. Plan early for the Lutheran World Action appeal. Be sure that all of the materials available are given to the people of our congregations.

LUTHERAN WELFARE SERVICES. We are fortunate to have upon our territory a Lutheran Welfare Service of Northern California and a Lutheran Welfare Service of Southern California. As you will note from the Budget, we can only place in the Budget a token payment to these Services, showing our aproval of them and our desire to cooperate. Thus we would ask that the congregations of Synod give opportunity for presentation of the cause of these Services to our membership or to our Church Councils so that an adequate support can come from our people commensurate with the needs that are being met by these welfare agencies of our Church.

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATIONS. Upon the territory of Synod we have some of the strongest and finest institutions of higher education in our land, but most of these are State institutions without a religious ministry. To assist the Church in the guidance of her youth in these institutions, we have founded a Lutheran Student Foundation — North and a Lutheran Student Foundation — South. These too need our assistance and these too have been given token payments in the Budget of Synod. Thus I, as President of Synod, would request our congregations to give opportunity for the presentation of the needs of these Foundations, so that there shall arise a constituency within Synod of support for the Foundations.

As I bring this report to a close, I do so with a deep sense of gratitude, gratitude to all of Synod for making possible the privilege of serving in this Office during this term; gratitude to all of Synod for the kindness shown to Mrs. Beasom and myself in making possible our European Adventure this past Summer; gratitude to all those who are working on the staff of the Synod or on the staff of the institutions or agencies of the Synod, to all our mission pastors and pastors of self-supporting congregations who have so faithfully endeavored to fulfill their ministry to which God has called them; grateful to all of the organizations of Synod, our Synodical Women's Missionary Society that has helped us in our mission program of Synod year after year, the Brotherhood that has given to us the leadership of our men in so many ways, our Luther Leagues that have strengthened our congregations by their dynamic energy; gratitude to all of our congregations and all of our membership for the magnificient way that Synod has moved forward over the years to accomplish that which God has put upon our hearts to perform.

My closing prayer is one of thanksgiving unto Almighty God and one of petition that He shall grant to each of us the ability to open up our eyes to see the fields yet white unto the harvest and the Lord calling us to enter into this harvest, that the Lord will open up our ears to hear the word of our Lord and our God as He calls through the needs, to come over and help, that as we move into a new year of service, we should never lose sight of our Jesus, that we shall see Him in everything that we may do or plan, knowing that if we continue in His love and conscious of His calling, He shall work everything out for good and that we shall not only have had a good Convention and that we shall have gone away from this meeting of our Church feeling

the goodness of our Lord, but we shall walk in the confidence that the days ahead shall work into a complete and perfect pattern for good for each and every one of us who believe in Him and who are confident in the calling that He has granted unto us by the power of His Holy Spirit.

OFFICIAL ACTS

CALLS:

February 8, 1953	The Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim, First United, San Francisco
February 22, 1953	The Rev. John R. Steinhaus, Hollywood, Hollywood
March 16, 1953	The Rev. Eldon R. Miller, Grace, Alhambra
May 22, 1953	The Rev. Toivo Harjunpaa, Shepherd-of-the-Hills, Berkeley
June 7, 1953	The Rev. Franklin H. Schott, Mount of Olives, Phoenix, Ariz.
June 14, 1953	The Rev. Richard Arthur, Mt. Zion, Yreka
June 21, 1953	The Rev. Richard O. Scherch, Trinity, Manhattan Beach
June 27, 1953	The Rev. Vernon Kotter, Good Shepherd, Reno, Nevada
September 24, 1953	The Rev. J. Henry Meyer, St. Andrew's, San Mateo, Calif.
November 2, 1953	The Rev. Douglas J. Toepel, Temple, San Francisco
November 11, 1953	The Rev. James M. Fincher, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu
November 16, 1953	The Rev. Bruno I. Ederma, Bethany, Norco
November 22, 1953	The Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant, Faith, Long Beach, California
December 6, 1953	The Rev. Glen O. Balsley, Honolulu, Honolulu

DEATHS:

May 9, 1953	The Rev. George L. Ulrich, Trinity, Manhattan Beach
September 24, 1953	The Rev. Donald W. Endter, St. Paul's, Monterey Park

DEDICATIONS:

May 10, 1953	First Church, San Bernardino
September 13, 1953	Bethany, San Jose (Educational Unit)
September 27, 1953	St. Michael's, Berkeley
October 4, 1953	Honolulu, Honolulu
November 15, 1953	Grace, Culver City
December 20, 1953	United, Santa Ana
January 17, 1954	St. Peter's, San Diego
January 24, 1954	St. Paul's, Honolulu

DISMISSALS:

January 25, 1953	The Rev. J. Edward Oslund, Pacific Synod
July 1, 1953	The Rev. R. Waldo Hansen, Iowa Synod
August 14, 1953	The Rev. Paul E. Erickson, Illinois Synod
September 20, 1953	The Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz, Pacific Synod
November 19, 1953	The Rev. Walter E. Sabins, Iowa Synod

INSTALLATIONS:

May 24, 1953	The Rev. Eldon R. Miller, Grace, Alhambra
June 14, 1953	The Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim, First Church, San Francisco
June 21, 1953	The Rev. John R. Steinhaus, Hollywood, Hollywood
August 30, 1953	The Rev. Richard Arthur, Mt. Zion, Yreka
October 11, 1953	The Rev. Richard O. Scherch, Trinity, Manhattan Beach
October 25, 1953	The Rev. Toivo Harjunpaa, Shepherd-of-the-Hills, Berkeley
December 13, 1953	The Rev. J. Henry Meyer, St. Andrew's, San Mateo
December 13, 1953	The Rev. James M. Fincher, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu
January 3, 1954	The Rev. Vernon Kotter, Good Shepherd, Reno, Nevada
January 10, 1954	The Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant, Faith, Long Beach
January 17, 1954	The Rev. Franklin H. Schott, Mt. of Olives, Phoenix, Ariz.
January 24, 1954	The Rev. Douglas Toepel, Temple, San Francisco

ORDINATIONS:

May 24, 1953	The Rev. Edward R. Andersen, Shepherd of the Valley, Orinda
May 24, 1953	The Rev. John R. Steinhaus, Hollywood, Hollywood
June 7, 1953	The Rev. James M. Fincher, Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, T.H.
June 7, 1953	The Rev. Harold P. Schluntz, Orange, Calif.
June 7, 1953	The Rev. Howard Mickel
June 7, 1953	The Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim, First United, San Francisco
June 14, 1953	The Rev. Paul E. Erickson, Jr.

ORDINATIONS:

July 12, 1953	The Rev. Richard C. Arthur, Mt. Zion, Yreka
December 6, 1953	The Rev. Lloyd F. Sturtevant, Faith, Long Beach
January 24, 1954	The Rev. Douglas Toepel, Temple, San Francisco

ORGANIZATIONS:

October 18, 1953	Faith Lutheran Church, Yuma, Arizona
October 25, 1953	St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, Santa Cruz
November 1, 1953	Christ Lutheran Church, Downey
November 15, 1953	Shepherd of the Valley, Orinda, California
November 15, 1953	Good Shepherd, Concord, California
November 22, 1953	Our Redeemer, Sacramento, California
January 10, 1954	Mt. Olivet, Lakewood, California

RESIGNATIONS:

January 25, 1953	The Rev. J. Edward Oslund, Good Shepherd, Reno, Nevada
January 31, 1953	The Rev. Harold J. Lorimer, Grace Alhambra
April 12, 1953	The Rev. John C. Bitter, Wartburg, Fresno
April 30, 1953	The Rev. Eldon R. Miller, Temple, San Francisco
May 31, 1953	The Rev. Walter R. Keim, Mt. Zion, Yreka
June 30, 1953	The Rev. E. Dale Click, St. Andrew's, San Mateo
October 4, 1953	The Rev. Donald P. Mosling, Faith, Long Beach
November 19, 1953	The Rev. Walter E. Sabins, St. James', Richmond
December 13, 1953	The Rev. H. C. Lindsay, Grace, Phoenix, Arizona

CONGREGATIONS DISSOLVED:

October 18, 1953 Wartburg, Fresno

Time is the greatest gift to Christians, for in time God gives us opportunity to do His will. Tomorrow thus comes rushing at us with all of its potentialities and possibilities. Let us go forward with courage to possess it in the Name of our Triune God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to Whom be all the honor and glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,
James Prince Beasom, Jr.

Motion was made that the item in the Constitution be waived so that a voice and vote be granted to all pastors in the California Synod who are in the work of the church. Motion was lost for lack of second.

Motion was made that all elections be deferred until official reception of all pastors and congregations to be received into Synod at this Convention. Motion was seconded and carried.

Motion was made that a brief meeting of the Ministerium be held immediately. Motion was seconded. Motion was carried.

The Convention was recessed briefly and the Ministerium met.

The Convention was reconvened and the Ministerium presented the following recommendation: That the following men examined by the Examining Committee and referred to the Executive Committee of Synod for ordination be received into the membership of Synod:

Edward R. Andersen	Kenneth E. Hartzheim
John R. Steinhaus	Paul E. Erickson, Jr.
James M. Fincher	Richard C. Arthur
Howard Mickel	Lloyd F. Sturtevant
Harold P. Schluntz	Douglas Toepel

The following men having received calls from congregations of the California Synod be received by transfer to the California Synod:

Lewis S. G. Miller, D.D.	Otto A. Bremer
Richard O. Scherch	Toivo Harjunpaa
B. A. Bjarnason	Peter C. Schroder
James P. Bishop	Vernon Kotter
J. Henry Meyer	

That the following men who were not able to appear in person before the Examining Committee be received into the Synod of California:

E. Gene Vosseler Heinrich W. K. Falk, Ph.D.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented the election for the President as the next order of business. Motion was made that the Constitution be adopted by amendment. Motion was seconded. Motion made, seconded, and carried that the previous question be put. Motion to adopt the Constitution by amendment was carried. Motion prevailed that the By Laws be received and considered seriatim.

Article 1: Rules of Order was adopted.

Article 2: Items 1 to 4 were adopted.

Motion made and seconded that the last sentence of Item 5 be stricken. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the words "or a lay delegate" be inserted after pastor in Item 8. Motion was lost. Motion was made and seconded that the words "and a lay delegate" be inserted after the word pastor in Section II, Item 8.

Motion was made and seconded that this be referred to the Executive Committee. Motion was carried.

The tellers reported no election for the office of the President of Synod.

Motion prevailed that if there is no election on the second ballot for the office of the President that the following ballot be limited to the two highest.

The Rev. Quentin P. Garman, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, presented the Ballot and additional nominations were made as follows:

Lay Member of the Executive Committee. 1 year term	Lincoln Schmidt, St. John's, Gardena
Clerical Member of the Executive Committee—2 year term	Rev. George Spindt
Lutheran Leadership Training Board: Lay Member—3 year term	David Goodman, St. Andrew's, Van Nuys Erwin Schlenker, First English, Sacramento
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Board: Lay Member—4 year term	William Scheehl, St. Michael's, Berkeley Donald B. Petersen, First Eng., Sacramento E. S. Heckathorn, Shepherd of the Valley, Orinda
California Lutheran Home for the Aged Member—3 year term	No Nominations
Lay delegate to U.L.C.A. Convention:	David Lingel, Hollywood John Ewald, Trinity, Manhattan Beach Howard Logan, First, Glendale Carl Ludvigsen, Messiah, Redwood City W. F. Steffenhagen, Phoenix, Ariz.

The name of Gene Tone was withdrawn from the nominations.

Nominations were closed.

The tellers reported no election on the 2nd ballot for the office of the President of Synod.

According to the previous action, the Chair ruled that the balloting on the following ballot would be limited to the Rev. James P. Beasom and the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, the two receiving the highest number of votes.

Motion prevailed that before the next ballot be taken, the Chaplain of Synod lead the Convention in prayer, asking for God's guidance.

Motion prevailed that the meetings of the Conferences be postponed until after the afternoon session.

The session was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod.

Following the conclusion of the second session, a luncheon was held in the church at which Dr. Paul Dieckman spoke on the developments and plans of Midland College.

THIRD SESSION

February 2, 1954—2:15 p.m.

The third session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on he theme "The Trust and Common Ventures."

Motion prevailed that the mimeographed minutes of the previous session be approved as distributed.

The tellers reported the following election result:

President of Synod—The Rev. Carl V. Tambert

The motion prevailed that the convention continue with the consideration of the By-Laws of the constitution.

Motion prevailed that Item 3 Section 3 read as follows: A copy of the report of he President, the Treasurer or Comptroller and the Chairman of all Committees hould be in the hands of each delegate at the opening of each Synodical Convention. Section 3 was adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 4 be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 5 be adopted.

Motion was made to delete the word "their" in Item 5 Section 6. Motion was econded and carried.

Motion was made that Item 3 on ordinations be a separate section in the By aws. Motion was seconded and carried.

Motion prevailed that Section 6 as amended be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 7 be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 8 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded to amend Item 3, Section 9 by adding the vords "Radio and Television" after the word "Press." Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 4, Section 9 be deleted. Motion was carried.

Motion prevailed to amend Item 6 to read as follows: Committee on Constitution. o this Committee shall be referred all proposed amendments to the Constitution and y Laws for a proper study of their relationship to the same prior to the final consideration.

Motion was made and seconded to substitute for the present Item 5 of Section 9: Social Missions. This Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of leading pastors and congregations to meet their responsibilities before God in the fields f Evangelism, Social Action, and Inner Missions. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the Faith and Life Committee be a standing ommittee and the following item be added. Committee on Faith and Life. This ommittee shall be responsible for the study of all matters pertaining to the spiritual elfare of Synod and to offer suggestions for the strength of the Faith and Life of astors and congregations. Motion was carried.

Section 9 as amended was adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that the following item be added to Section 10.

In the election of a President the following rules shall obtain:

On the first ballot—¾ of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect; on the second allot—⅔ of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect; on the third ballot the nomees shall be limited to the two receiving the highest number of votes on the second allot and no vote cast for any other shall be counted. On the third ballot a majority ote shall elect. No other elections shall be in order while the election of a President pending. Motion was carried.

Motion prevailed to add the following item under Section 10: The President of ynod shall be Ex Officio delegate to the U.L.C.A.

Motion prevailed that Section 10 as amended be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 11 be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section 12 be adopted.

Motion was made that the Constitution and By-Laws as a whole be adopted. otion was seconded and carried.

Motion prevailed that the following reports be adopted:

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

December 31, 1953

Fathers and Brethren:

This has been a happy decade for your statistician. With this tenth report he makes to you, he wishes to record his thanks for the honor you have paid him in returning him so often to this office; and his gratitude for the uniform courtesy and kindliness you have shown. Accuracy and promptness of reporting has grown with the years. The latest report for 1953 would have been prompt for 1948 and the most faulty would have been quite accurate for that same year.

The greatest thrill of all has been in watching how God has blessed the work of the pastors and congregations for the past ten years in our Synod. The next page tabulates some of the gains, so far as figures can indicate them. We pray that the Holy Spirit may continue to go before and follow after us, that our sowing the seed, which is the Word of God, may be faithful; and the harvest may continue to be lavish.

Two chief indications of inward growth also keep going upward: the average number of confirmed members taking communion grew from 72.96% to 73.74%—average giving per confirmed member increased from $62.51 to $66.92.

First reports from churches with over 300 communicants: 1. Tie between First English, Los Angeles, A. B. Schwertz, and St. Andrew's, Van Nuys, C. H. Meyer; Tie for 3rd between First, San Diego, Erwin Vosseler, and Our Saviour's, Tucson, George Spindt.

Promptest churches and pastors with less than 300 communicants include: 1. Trinity, Manhattan Beach, Richard O. Scherch; 2. Mt. Zion, Yreka, Richard C. Arthur; Tied for 3rd, St. Paul's, Globe, Arizona, Jack W. Glidewell, and St. Peter's, San Diego, Vlad P. Benko.

Your servant in Christ,
HENRY SCHERER

SOME COMPARISONS

As of December 31, 1953

1943		1953
16,055	Baptized Members	41,369
11,027	Confirmed Members	26,806
6,582	Communing Members	19,767
39	Congregations	88
534	Catechumens	3,358
4,407	Sunday School Scholars	15,613
$ 23,408	Apportionment Paid	$192,574
$ 276,332	Total Expenditures	$1,776,502
$1,231,039	Property Value (Congregations only)	$7,443,266
$ 103,102	Indebtedness	$1,793,857

GAINS

Growing into the next 250 baptized members:

1250 — Long Beach, Trinity
Richmond, Grace
750 — Fresno, First
San Diego, Christ
Whittier
500 — Baldwin Park
Burbank
Lakewood
Sacramento, First English (back again)
San Leandro
San Mateo
Van Nuys
250 — Fresno, Faith
Phoenix, Mt. of Olives
San Jose, Bethany
Santa Ana

CALIFORNIA SYNOD GROWTH

Year	Commun. Members	Member Gain	(%)	Rank in ULCA	Apport. Paid	Rank in ULCA
1953	19,767	1,824	10.11		192,574	
1952	17,943	983	5.81	15	166,316	12
1951	16,960	1,177	7.46	15	141,995	12
1950	15,783	1,264	8.71	16	116,068	13
1949	14,519	1,083	8.06	15	106,565	10
1948	13,436	861	6.85	15 (tie)	100,307	13

Year	No. of Churches	Rank in ULCA	S.S. Pupils	Property Value	Total Expend.	Rank in ULCA
1953	88		15,613	$7,443,266	$1,776,502	
1952	83	16	14,492	6,493,452	1,537,523	11
1951	79	16	13,013	5,555,885	1,266,779	13
1950	72	17	11,925	4,649,978	1,139,078	12
1949	66	16	9,683	4,164,863	1,077,984	12
1948	61	16	8,346	3,803,306	941,696	11

GAINS

Growing into the next 250 confirmed members:

750 — Richmond, Grace
500 — Fresno, First
Santa Monica (back again)
250 — Baldwin Park
Burbank
Culver City
Gardena
La Canada
Westwood

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP IN CALIFORNIA SYNOD

Churches with Communicant Membership of					
Year	100-199	200-299	300 and up	Largest Congregation	
1893	8	none	none	San Francisco, First Eng.	260
1898	5	1	none	Los Angeles, First Eng.	215
1903	3	3	none	San Francisco, First Eng.	278
1908	2	none	2	Los Angeles, First Eng.	361
1913	5	none	3	Los Angeles, First Eng.	400
1918	7	3	1	Los Angeles, First Eng.	484
1923	10	2	2	Los Angeles, First Eng.	667
1928	12	6	1	Fresno, St. Paul's	377
1933	13	6	1	Hollywood	336
1938	10	7	1	Hollywood	380
1943	13	8	5	Glendale	518
1948	18	9	15	Glendale	981
1953	21	15	23	Glendale	1,020

GAINS

Growing into the next 100 communing members:

900 — Sacramento, St. John's
600 — Long Beach, Trinity
Phoenix, Faith
Richmond, Grace
500 — Inglewood
400 — San Diego, Christ
300 — Berkeley, St. Michael's
Fresno, First
Lakewood
Riverside
Van Nuys
200 — Altadena
Baldwin Park
Burbank
Westwood
100 — Phoenix, Mt. of Olives
Redwood City
San Francisco, First United (back again)

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP OF AVERAGE CONGREGATION

Year	ULCA	Gain over last year	% Communing	Calif. Synod	Gain over last year	% Com munin
1943	207	2	66.76	173	19	58.37
1944	211	4	66.91	188	15	60.35
1945	215	4	67.06	195	7	62.59
1946	224	9	68.26	207	12	65.91
1947	225	1	68.01	213	6	70.67
1948	227	2	69.06	220	7	68.92
1949	230	3	69.42	220	0	70.56
1950	234	4	69.59	219	—1	70.92
1951	236	2	69.68	215	—4	70.76
1952	240	4	70.34	216	1	72.96
1953				225	9	73.74

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The depository of the important Synodical documents is the official headquarters Chief among these papers are the bound copies of the minutes of Synod; also th constitutions of the congregations of Synod.

The following resolution is offered for adoption:

> That the officers of recently organized congregations be advised regarding the Constitutional provision,—Section III, 4, page 26, Minutes of 1943)—"Each congregation shall file a copy of its constitution with the Archivist of Synod."

John Edward Hoick, Archivist

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

As the years come and go, outstanding events in the progress of the Californi Synod are noted, catalogued and preserved to be ready to be put in permanent for at the pleasure of Synod.

To this end we earnestly solicit clippings, programs and pictures for future use

John Edward Hoick,
Synodical Historian

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

Our Heavenly Father, Who doth all things well, since we last met together, ha summoned some of our number to their eternal rewards. "Blessed are the dead wh die in the Lord henceforth. Blessed indeed, says the Spirit, that they may rest fro their labors, for their deeds follow them." We record brief life histories.

REV. GEORGE L. ULRICH

George L. Ulrich was born September 22, 1893 near Evans City, Pa., was baptize and confirmed in St. Peter's Lutheran Church there. Soon after moving to Elwood City he entered Thiel College, graduating in 1919, whence he went to Mt. Airy Seminary Graduating in 1922, he was ordained the same year by the Michigan Synod, havin been called to serve Holy Trinity Church at Flint. While serving this congregation, h was married to Florence Keck, December 30, 1922. He served successively People Church, Chicago, Holy Trinity, Beaver, and St. John's, Highland, Pa. before coming i 1948 to Manhattan Beach, Calif. where he realized his ambition to found a congre gation and build a church edifice, and where he served untiringly until his unexpecte death on May 9, last. Surviving are one daughter, Marjorie, six sons, Paul, George H Richard, Robert, David, and Charles; his wife and his mother, and four grandchildre Funeral services were conducted by Pastors Carl Tambert and J. Benner Weaver. I terment was in Pennsylvania.

DAVID BRIAN MOSLING

David, son of Pastor and Mrs. Donald P. Mosling, born in Rajahmundry, Indi September 23, 1946, shortly after contracted polio and influenza. His condition neces

ted the family's return from India, where they were serving in our mission work ere. His father became pastor of Faith Church, Long Beach. Badly afflicted and spitalized many months, David passed away July 8, 1953, survived by his parents d two sisters. Burial was in Green Hills Memorial Park, Long Beach, following a rvice in Faith Church, Rev. Louis Mertz, officiating.

RS. WILLIAM E. CROUSER

Mrs. J. Belle Crouser, widow of the late Dr. Wm. E. Crouser, and mother of Rev. arence F. Crouser, pastor of Grace Church, San Jose, died on June 9. Mrs. Crouser as born at Black Lake, N. Y., June 28, 1873, where her father, Rev. Silas W. Young, as serving as pastor. After her marriage she served with her husband in parishes at henectady and Buffalo, N. Y., and in Grace Church, San Jose, First, San Francisco, rst, Oakland, and again at Grace, San Jose. She served as president of the Cali- rnia Women's Missionary Society for two terms, and was active in the Mt. Hermon derated School of Missions. Survivors, besides her son Clarence, are two grand- ildren, William Carl Crouser, a student for the Lutheran ministry, and Elizabeth lle Crouser. Services were conducted by Dr. Earnest A. Trabert and Rev. George ora.

EV. DONALD W. ENDTER

Born October 9, 1920, in Springfield, Ohio, Don Endter, after graduating as presi- nt of his class and with honors from the Springfield Senior High School, attended nyon College for a year, where he won an oratorial contest, transferred to Witten- rg College, from which he was graduated in 1942, having made a brilliant record a student, and having won many honors. As a student in Hamma Divinity hool, he made a survey of the Roselawn section of Cincinnati, and established the selawn Lutheran Church which he served as pastor during his senior year in the minary. Upon graduation in 1945, he accepted a call from the Board of American issions to found a church in Phoenix, Arizona, now Faith Congregation. In 1948 he came assistant pastor of First Church, Los Angeles, and shortly afterward was lled to be pastor of St. Paul's, Monterey Park, where he led his people in building eir present beautiful church edifice. Afflicted with a lingering illness he passed away September 24, aged 33 years. He is survived by his wife, who was Margaret adde, whom he married in 1945, and two sons, Paul and David; his parents, and s brother, the Rev. Charles Endter, of Santa Cruz. Obsequies were held in his urch with President Beasom officiating, assisted by Pastors Schwertz, Blough, and holl. Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

RS. EDITH PHOEBE RAAB HEROLD

Mrs. Edith Phoebe Raab Herold, 74, wife of Dr. J. S. Herold, retired pastor of the lifornia Synod supplying St. John's (Gebhart), Miamisburg, Ohio, died December 13, 53, at the parsonage, following invalidism after major surgery in September, 1950.

A native of Perrysburg, Ohio, she was married to Dr. Herold in 1903 while he was his first parish in Martin Luther Church, Toledo. With him she shared parsonages St. Paul's, Mansfield, Ohio; Toronto, Canada; Canajoharie, N. Y.; First, Miamisburg; d Emmanuel's, New Philadelphia. In 1920 he was called to be missionary superin- ndent of the Synod of Ohio and its first secretary, located in Columbus. For two ars they were in Chicago as a secretary for the Board of American Missions. In 36 they went to Holy Trinity Church, Toledo, Ohio, for a two years ministry, then moved to California. There they served congregations at St. John's, Oakland, and at nger, retiring once but recalled to service at Oakland. In 1949 they retired again d returned to Ohio to live at Miamisburg, scenes of their 1917-1921 ministry. Three ars ago they were asked to supply at the nearby St. John's (Gebhart) church, here Dr. Herold led the congregation to a $30,000 reconstruction project.

In addition to Dr. Herold, two sons, Paul, of the ceramic department of the School Mines and Metallurgy, Rollo, Missouri, and John, of Houston, Texas, survive.

Services were held at St. John's church December 15, 1953, by President George Miley. Neighboring pastors Joseph W. Prease, Raymond A. Albert, Herbert F. mburger, and E. Rudolph assisted. Burial was in the St. John's Cemetery, Miamis- rg, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard A. Anspach

REPORT OF THE DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The year of 1953 by the help of God gave your Division of Church Extension its best opportunity of service for Christ. Eleven months of the year your Director spent in the construction of the Lutheran Church of Honolulu and St. Paul's, also in the city of Honolulu.

The sacrifice of living away from home was amply compensated by the privilege of serving our Downtown Church as Interim Pastor. The Grace of God enabled us to weld together this congregation into a working unit for Christ.

In addition to erecting a beautiful $125,000.00 edifice, 38 accessions including the baptism of three former Buddhists were the fruitage of your Department's labor.

St. Paul's construction consisted of a two story concrete and block building with a well appointed small Chapel and classrooms.

It is the hope of this Department that the support of the Synod and the guidance of the Holy Spirit may grant us the privilege and apportunity of further advance for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward N. Spirer

The Secretary of Synod announced that 93 clergy and 89 lay or a total of 182 delegates were present at the Convention.

Convention was recessed for ten minutes.

Motion prevailed that a special session of the Convention be held beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. L. H. Steinhoff, U.L.C.A. representative to the Convention, addressed the Convention speaking on the "Nature and Work of the United Lutheran Church in America."

The session was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod following the close of the afternoon business session.

The four conferences met in separate sessions.

FOURTH SESSION

February 2, 1954—7:30 p.m.

The session was opened with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod.

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the previous session be approved as distributed.

The following reports were adopted:

LUTHERAN REPORT

During 1953 The Lutheran Synodical Plan was in effect during the three month period of October, November, and December. During this time the yearly subscription rate was reduced from $3.50 a year to $2.00. To qualify for this $2.00 rate a parish needed to submit a minimum of ten subscriptions on its original order.

As of December 16, 35 lists were received with a total of 1,651 subscriptions as compared with 1,175 from the same congregations last year. This represents an increase of 40%, which is really remarkable.

Six of the lists are 100%, four of the 100% lists are in that category for the first time.

There are five congregations which are participating this year, which did not send in lists last year. This is a healthy sign, and it looks as though we have a good chance of achieving close to 100% participation this year.

Circulation figures for our Synod are as follows: **1951** — 1,745; **1952** — 2,585; **1953** — 2,792.

If the present trend of this year's program continues, we should achieve a circulation of over 3,500 for 1954.

Respectfully submitted,
Eldon R. Miller, Chairman

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission activities of Synod are under the direction of the Executive Committee; therefore, information regarding this important work is found in the reports of the Executive Committee, the President of Synod, and the Comptroller. In addition to these, we list here the salary-aid grants of the Board of American Missions for 1954. In so doing, we express once again the gratitude of Synod to the members and staff of the Board of American Missions, and to the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. which supports three of our missions. Likewise our thanks to the Synodical Women's Missionary Society for their continued financial support of the Home Mission program, and to the Luther League of Illinois for their generous gift of $1273.45 for a chapel for the Trailer Ministry.

Alhambra, Our Saviour's	Rev. Walter M. Stuhr	$1500
Altadena, Altadena	Rev. Titus R. Scholl	1560
Azusa, Calvary	Rev. E. Paul Barnhart	2160
Baldwin Park, Ascension	Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen	1920
Berkeley, Shepherd of Hills	Rev. Toivo Harjunpaa	3000
Burbank, Luther Memorial	Rev. L. A. Failing	1680
Concord, Good Shepherd	Rev. William W. Stremel	3000
Culver City, Grace	Rev. William H. Blough	1080
Downey, Christ	Rev. Neale O. Jenson	3000
El Monte, Redeemer	Rev. John B. Nield	1620
Fresno, Faith	Rev. Goodwin T. Olson	2580
Globe, St. Paul's	Rev. Jack W. Glidewell	2040
Honolulu, St. Paul's	Rev. Franklin A. Swanson	3600
La Canada, Foothills	Rev. John P. Stump	1500
Las Vegas, Reformation	Rev. William C. Arbaugh	3000
Lihue, Kauai; Lihue	Rev. Thomas A. Allport	1440
Long Beach, Faith	Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant	1320
Long Beach, Lakewood	Rev. Louis F. Mertz	1440
Long Beach, Mt. Olivet	Rev. James Youngquist	3000
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	Rev. Clifford B. Holand	1620
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	Rev. Richard O. Scherch	1980
Norco, Bethany	Rev. Bruno I. Ederma	2820
Orinda, Shepherd of Valley	Rev. Edward R. Andersen	3000
Pearl Harbor, T.H.; Pearl Harbor	Rev. James Fincher	2520
Phoenix, Mt. of Olives	Rev. Franklin H. Schott	2700
Pomona, Trinity	Rev. William Bowman	1680
Redding-Central Valley Parish	Rev. Kenneth E. Linton	1920
Redwood City, Messiah	Rev. Kenneth C. Senft	2280
Reno, Good Shepherd	Rev. Vernon E. Kotter	1800
Sacramento, Our Redeemer	Rev. George Steffens	3000
Sacramento, St. Paul's	Rev. Charles A. Miley	1260
San Diego, Christ	Rev. Quentin P. Garman	1740
San Diego, St. Peter's	Rev. Vlad P. Benko	1740
San Fernando, St. Mark's	Rev. John Fellner	1920
San Francisco, First	Rev. Kenneth Hartzheim	1320
San Jose, Bethany	Rev. George R. Flora	2700
San Leandro, Epiphany	Rev. Albert S. Hidy	2040
Santa Ana, United	Rev. Raymond L. Nickel	2520
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	Rev. Charles A. Endter	3000
Tucson, Our Saviour's	Rev. George A. Spindt	1200
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	Rev. Christian H. Meyer	2400
Yreka, Mt. Zion	Rev. Richard C. Arthur	1620
Yuma, Faith	Rev. Stanley E. Olson	3000

SPECIAL MISSIONS

Los Angeles, Japanese Work	Rev. L. S. G. Miller	2991
Los Angeles, Peace Latvian	Rev. Oscar Kleinbergs	2400

FIELDS BEING DEVELOPED

El Cajon	Rev. James P. Bishop	3000
Fresno	Rev. Hugh Dowler	Synod
Mountain View	Rev. Peter C. Schroder, Jr.	3000
Orange	Rev. Harlod P. Schluntz	3000
Placerville (Trailer Ministry)	Rev. Charles J. Clark	3000
West Covina	Rev. Charles M. Witthoft, Jr. (Bd. of Foreign Miss.)	

Respectfully submitted,

H. Paul Romeis

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Foreign Missions Committee has not been active during this year, much to the regret of the Chairman, who is responsible. One letter to the Brethren of Synod, dated February 21, called attention to the need for a staff member in Liberia. Other needs have been well presented in "The Lutheran", urging, in addition to the continuing appeal for candidates, that we provide for the flooded area in India and Japan by paying our Benevolence in full for 1953.

A supplementary report, gathered at Synod, will give details as to the Epiphany Appeal, 1954, for Chapels in India and Japan.

At last report, four churches of Synod are taking advantage of the special opportunities for sharing in foreign work through support of Missionaries, Parishes, and Proteges. They are:

MISSIONARY SUPPORT:	San Diego, Calif. — First (The Rev. E. Vosseler, British Guiana.)	$300.
	Sacramento, Calif. —St. John's (The Rev. Albert Alsop—Argentina)	$600.
PARISH ABROAD SUPPORT:	Glendale, Calif — First	100.
	Long Beach, Calif. — Trinity	50.
	San Diego, Calif — Christ	100.
PROTEGE SUPPORT:	Glendale, Calif. — First	10.

We recommend these special means of support as of value to the work of each Congregation, because of the direct interest in individuals and fields of the Church, and urge further use of this channel for the flow of funds to this work.

The Rev. George R. Flora, Chairman.

Motion prevailed that we send our greetings to our Foreign Missionaries, Albert Alsop and Gene Vossler.

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSION SOCIETY OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Social Mission Society of the Southern Conference, an affiliate of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, and a Constitutional Beneficiary of the Samaritan Society of Southern California has, for the third year, functioned under the same Executive Board as that of the California Chapter of the Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

The society has continued to serve all the same cases that it was called upon to serve during the year 1953, and in addition, it met an urgent call from a local congregation.

The Treasurer's Report for the year ending December 31, 1953 is as follows:

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1953	$ 903.08
Receipts from Samaritan Society	700.00
Total Receipts	**$1,603.08**

Disbursements:

Individual Relief, Calif. Lutheran Home	700.00
Individual and Family Relief	320.00
Board of Social Missions U.L.C.A. - Subscriptions to "Message for a Day" for Calif. and Santa Monica Hospitals	45.00
Telephone	1.35
	$1,066.35
Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1954	$ 536.73

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Norris A. Lange, President
Marian R. Rostad, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF THE 1953 CONVENTION

The Committee on the Minutes of the Sixty-second Annual Convention of The vangelical Lutheran Synod of California, held at Grace Lutheran Church in Richmond, alifornia, January 26 through January 29, 1953, have carefully considered the inutes of this Synod Convention and have found them in good order and complete.

Much credit again is given to the Secretary of our Synod, the Rev. Paul H. Wolert and his staff for their work in taking these Minutes and causing them to be ublished for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Linton, Chairman

EPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATIONS

The continued impact of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary on Ministerial Education making itself felt all over the Synod as well as the Church at large. Our own Synod en are more and more being trained here on the territory of Synod, and the supply students preparing for the gospel ministry is on the increase. This is certainly an swer to our many prayers.

This in no way lessens the responsibility of every pastor to present the cause full-time Christian service to his finest young people. Every congregation should ek out and encourage its best youth to enter full-time Christian service, either the nistry or the diaconate. This can be a part of our answer to the harvest of souls the Kingdom.

During 1953 the majority of our Seminarians were attending Pacific Lutheran minary. Three were at Central, one at Northwestern in Minneapolis, and two were Maywood Seminary. Pacific Seminary had thirteen of our students from the Synod. ore and more of our students should be attending our Pacific Lutheran Seminary.

As a Synod we support Midland College, and so the majority of our students t in college who are preparing for the ministry are at Midland. A few are attending ner colleges in other places.

During 1953 many of our students from both college and seminary were given benefit of the testing service provided by the Board of Education of the ULCA. is is under Dr. Wickey's direction and office. We are very appreciative of all that Board of Education has done in this respect. Again during 1954 we are asking this service to be continued.

Also during 1953 the Board of Education of the ULCA provided transportation only students who are attending Midland College.

During the year this committee assisted many students by personal interviews, ers of encouragement, help with problems of education, and financial aid to a ited extent. This was due to the larger numbers of students and our limited budget.

Our listing of ministerial students is as follows:

Donald Albert
William Anderson
Bliss Bellinger
Robert Beckstrom
Richard Bennett
Harry Durkee
Don De Belle
Wm. Dowling
Ervin Florance
Wm. Faust
James Grant
Marion Gjerde
Helmut Fuchs
Bertrand Johnson
Vern Jeffers
Hallet Kruggel
Richard Knudten
John Lindstrom
Wm. J. Loshuertos
Wm. Moreman
Guy Mehl
Fay Miller
Bruce Craft
Stanley Califf
Wm. Crowser
Gilbert Dossi
George Drach
Ray Nassen
Kenneth Olson
Harold Price
Herbert Ringo
Carl Ruud
Gene Samuelson
Walter Stuhr, Jr.
Frank Schmitt
David Smith
Mike Schon
Ed Ray
Christian Thearle
Ben Torres, Jr.
Robert Varblow
Roger Veum
Ted Youngerman
John Wetzel

To this list other names should be possibly added. If any have been omitted they will be included in a supplementary report.

Pre-enrollment in our seminary is another field of help of this committee and the Synod office. A number of our young men are thus helped along the way.

The cause of the diaconate must also be kept before the young women of our Church. At present only Miss Patricia Chafin represents our Synod. She is from Culver City. She will be completing her training this year.

Our whole Synod was saddened with the passing of our Committee secretary, The Rev. George Ulrich. He has served well.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Board of Education through Dr. Gould Wickey for all their wonderful assistance and cooperation.

Our thanks also to the President of Synod and his office for a great deal of help at all times.

May God continue to point the way for a greater Lutheran Church here on the West Coast.

Respectfully submitted,
The Ministerial Education Committee
Arthur Alm

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY

It is gratifying to be able to report that the apportionment to The United Lutheran Church in America has been met again 100% and ahead of schedule. This is due to the fact that the U.L.C.A. has priority in our budget and payments are made on an eleven month basis, thus guaranteeing the full apportionment. The Lutheran World Action quota was met 100% but not all congregations did their full share and some contributed nothing to this world-wide need. At this writing it is doubtful whether Synod will reach 100% of its Synodical budget. The trend in Stewardship throughout the whole Church is steadily upward, and likewise in our Synod, but it will take a continuous, year-around program of education to lift our people to the total commitment of all of life to the work of our Lord, which is Christian Stewardship. In addition to the regular budget our congregations gave over $49,000 to the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal and over $22,000 to the Crusade for Youth.

All six Stewardship films are available for your use from the United Lutheran Book Store in Los Angeles. The nationwide success of the film "Martin Luther" which spearheaded our 1953 Stewardship activities, was evidenced in our Synod with record runs and large attendances reported. It is not likely that this film will be available

for congregational use for another year. A new Stewardship film, probably on tithing, is scheduled to be made this year.

Your Secretary attended and participated in the program of the annual conference of Stewardship Secretaries, held on the campus of the Philadelphia Seminary in June. Faculty representatives of all our Seminaries were in attendance. The 1954 Conference is scheduled for Central Seminary at Fremont, Nebraska.

We express our thanks and appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement and the Stewardship office of the U.L.C.A. for supply, without cost, of the fine materials for use in every congregation, and we strongly urge all congregational Stewardship Committees to avail themselves of these materials and helps to make possible a year-around program of Stewardship education in every congregation.

We call to your attention again the major emphases of this program: Proportionate Giving with the tithe as the reasonable first step; Stewardship of all of life; the 50-50 budget; Child and Youth Stewardship; Christian vocation, and Christian Wills.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Paul Romeis

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

Activities of the Committee on Church Music have been largely confined in answering requests for information and assistance in the procuring of music personnel, organs, vestments, etc. All these requests have been met to the best of the committee's ability and the committee is grateful for the privilege of serving the pastors and congregations of Synod.

It is gratifying to note that five congregations during the past year have adopted the traditional choir vestments, consisting of black cassock and white cotta, and the committee has furnished patterns for the making of these vestments. We will be happy to continue to furnish this service and hope that other churches needing new vestments will consider adopting the traditional ones approved by the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles P. Smith, Chairman

REPORT OF THE REPORTER TO THE LUTHERAN

Each year the Editor of THE LUTHERAN assigns a number of dates for the various correspondents to send in news from their areas. Our Synod is assigned ten reporting dates or about one every five weeks. During 1953 we reported on the activities of our Synod on all assigned dates. According to the Editor, the local news of churches is still high in the interest of the readers of THE LUTHERAN.

Because of the higher circulation of THE LUTHERAN more advertisers are anxious to use its columns. Advertising is essential to reduce somewhat the subsidy of the U.L.C.A. and the Board of Publication. However, increased advertising means less reading material and the news of our churches is affected. However, we must agree that our Synod and its people have had very generous coverage in THE LUTHERAN. In addition to what the reporter sends in. pastors and those heading various interests of Synod submit articles. For example, recently the cover page carried a picture of two Pacific Lutheran Seminary students making a survey in the Walnut Creek area.

The Reporter is always anxious to have news from our churches. Some are sending us their weekly News Letters and monthly publications. This is good. Through the Synod office we are able to secure much information on what is happening but we would appreciate it if you would send us the news directly.

Let us remind you again that not always is the event which happens in your church news for a magazine of national scope. Confirmation classes, for example, are not news unless some unusual things occur in connection with the class. A class picture without some unusual things about it could not be printed without having to print one for all of our four thousand congregations. And too, for some reason, articles which we feel are NEWS are not always considered so by the Editor. The reporter has sent in articles which we felt were very unusual, but they were never printed. Keep sending them anyway and we shall keep forwarding them to the Editor.

For all who have helped in making it possible to keep our Synod's activities before the Church through THE LUTHERAN, we say "thanks!"

Howard L. Logan

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

The Women's Fellowship is entering its eighth year of service to the Californic Lutheran Home and can look back upon a year rich in the blessings of our Lorc and Saviour.

Interest in this vital work of our Church has gained momentum this year ir growth and service, as is noted in increased memberships and the multitude of gifts and memorials that have come in through the Chapter activities in this particular service. Through the efforts of the Fellowship at large a total of $6,269.55 was con tributed to the maintenance and New Building Fund of the Home this past year through memberships, memorials, gifts, special projects and the Fall Ingathering, al of which is gratefully acknowledged. Mrs. Carsten N. Alm, Synodical Memorial Sec retary, reports 403 memorials this year, which total $1,776.50.

The Fall Ingathering, under the sponsorship of the Fellowship, with Mrs. Ebrigh as General Chairman, was the largest in the history of the Home. It is evaluated that $1,759.00 in food items and $655.00 in cash was given. This generous stocking of the Home's larder by our churches helps to "balance the budget" in a grea measure.

The Los Angeles Chapter held a festival gathering on September 20th, through the courtesy of the Jebbia family, on the spacious grounds of their estate. This took the form of an Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social. Mrs. L. A. Failing as General Chair nan planned a most entertaining program and a highly successful affair attended by over 800 people, representing all area churches. The net proceeds, including the Patron gifts, amounted to $1,324.55, which was turned into the "New Building Fund."

On October 1st Dr. Ebright, Director of the Home, announced to the Fellowship the good news that the Home was now "balancing its budget" and maintaining itself with the help of a generous fall ingathering, and that the added support it had been receiving from the Fellowship for maintenance could now be channeled into the new expansion building fund program. The planning for a new $75,000 wing is now in progress to house an additional 24 guests at the Home. Knowing the grea need for more room, with the increasing numbers of aged that beg to come into a Christian home—the Fellowship wholeheartedly agreed to direct its support to this program.

Bay Area Chapter has had a wonderful year in growth, and under its new President, Mrs. Blanche Dalziel, held a Harvest Luncheon in St. Mark's Church, San Francisco on November 11th, attended by a large number, representing all their area churches. Dr. Ebright was the speaker. Mrs. Dentman presented Fellowship work.

The Valley Chapter under its able leader, Mrs. A. C. Gilker, held a fine Spring meeting of its Chapter on May 28th in First Lutheran Church, Riverside. Dr. Ebrigh was speaker. Valley Chapter will hold its annual spring luncheon meeting on Febru ary 11th at First Lutheran Church, Riverside.

The Los Angeles Chapter will hold its annual luncheon meeting on February 23rd at St. Matthew's Church, North Hollywood. Bay Area Chapter will hold its annual meeting in February, the date has not yet been set.

This past year we mourn the death of a dear friend and Chapter President, Mrs Nan Kramer of the Bay Area, who was called to her Heavenly Home on August 9 1953. Widely known and beloved, tireless in the service of her Master. We bow our heads in silent tribute.

The "Sunset Herald" with its able Editor, Mrs. Charles Izenour, continued to give the Fellowship a fine service. Through its pages we have the opportunity to publish and acknowledge all memorials, gifts and Chapter news, and thus promote our work throughout Synod. Again we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Izenour for her generous help.

To Dr. and Mrs. Ebright for their kind counsel and fine cooperation at all times in all our work, we wish to express our deep gratitude and thanks. And to the many, many who have served so loyally, who through their love and concern for our aging people have made our work fruitful this past year, our grateful thanks.

May God continue to bless our efforts in furthering the work of His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

DORCAS T. DENTMAN, Synodical Director
Women's Fellowship of the
California Lutheran Home

REPORT OF CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH TREASURER

Amount sent to the Synod—1953

St. John's Lutheran Church, Sacramento	$ 100.00
St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, North Hollywood	33.00
TOTAL	$133.00

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. EDWARD N. SPIRER

Motion prevailed that the report of the Executive Committee be received and the recommendations considered seriatim.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, in fulfilling its constitutionally assigned functions, held six regular meetings since the last Convention of Synod. Your Committee has helped to guide and promote the general work of the Church throughout the territory of our Synod, and submits the following report of particular activities during the year:

Authorized the President of Synod to make the change in the name of the Synod in the charter of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, and in the seal of Synod, as instructed by the 1953 Convention, subject to the approval of the 1954 Convention of Synod. Commended to the congregations of Synod the following program approved at the Seattle Convention of the U.L.C.A.

a. To urge all pastors and congregations to join the Contributory Pension Plan and the Family Protection Plan.

b. That the 8% required amount for the congregation in the Contributory Pension Plan as of January 1, 1954 be put in operation earlier, if possible, in all of our congregations where pastors are enrolled in the pension program.

c. That we request all congregations to inform the Board of Pensions as soon as possible of their commitment to the 8% contribution, if this is done.

d. That we give to all of our pastors the information that those who are past 51 years of age on July 1, 1947 may be eligible for the annual grant of $300 by joining the Contributory Pension Plan in making retroactive payments with interest from November 1, 1947 and continuing the payments to the Contributory Pension Plan currently until retirement. This condition also applies to those pastors who retired after November 1, 1947 and were not members of the Contributory Plan. And that after January 1, 1954, the requirement for membership in the Contributory Pension Plan will be 4% by the pastor and 8% by the congregation.

Approved the granting of Student Aid as indicated in the report of that Committee, and adopted the following as a policy for the granting of Student Aid "beginning with the fall of 1954; those students who are beginning their Seminary work and seeking aid from the Synod must be enrolled in the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley in order to receive such aid; that we will continue to extend aid to those students in other seminaries who, at this time, have completed one or more years of their training in the institution, but that after the year 1956, no such aid will be given to students not enrolled in our Seminary."

Arranged for the bonding of the ninety congregational treasurers of Synod and the nine persons in the Synodical office in the amount of $15,000 per person for a three-year period at a total cost of $1,315.40, and sent a letter to each congregation informing them of the pro rata amount per congregation.

Accepted with deep regret the resignation of Mr. Fritz Noel, and designated him an emeritus member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Paul Thomas of Grace Church, Phoenix, Arizona, was appointed to fill the unexpired term left vacant by Mr. Noel's resignation.

Authorized the purchase of properties, and approved plans of financing for mission churches and parsonages as contained in the Missions report.

Gave authorization for the borrowing of $10,000 on an unsecured note from the Bank of America to enable the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation to take up the option which is held on the property for Camp Yolijwa.

Approved the following resolution to guide the Examining Committee in performing their constitutional functions:

1. That the Examining Committee be authorized to give a preliminary examination to men in the Seminary before graduation.
2. That students from Seminaries other than our own, accepting a call to a congregation of the Synod be given a strong notice that their ordination and date of ordination service is only tentative until they have been approved by the Examining Committee, and should not be publicized until after such approval.
3. That a candidate for the ministry is to be examined at least one week before his ordination.
4. That we give the Examining Committee our assurance that we will support them in any decision they make concerning any candidate for the ministry.

Approved the following procedures for students preparing for the Gospel Ministry under the direction of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California:

1. Student must be a communing member of a constituent congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California in good and regular standing.
2. This student's home pastor must recommend to the President of Synod the student as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry.
3. The student should furnish the President of Synod:
   a. A brief biographical sketch.
   b. Date of birth.
   c. Scholastic training to date and the institution he is now attending or plans to attend.
   d. The number and location of his draft board if he is of draft age.
   e. The name and place of his residence as well as the names and address of his parents.
4. Upon the receipt of the above information the President of Synod shall issue to the student a statement of registration of the student as a ministerial student of the Synod, a copy of which should be sent to the draft board of the student.
5. The President of Synod shall pre-register, register the student, or recommend the student for registration at the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, California.
6. Students requiring ministerial aid should make application to the chairman of the Committee for Ministerial Aid of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California.
7. Students attending Midland College and preparing for the Gospel Ministry should make application for transportation allowances with the Committee for Ministerial Aid.

Received the recommendations from the Southern and from the Northern Conferences and took action to include the resolution concerning the adoption of the grace system as a recommendation of this report.

Authorized the purchase of the filmstrip, "Share Christ Today."

Approved a recommendation from the Committee on Faith and Life that the Communion Service of the Convention be restored to the proper order as contained in the Hymnal.

Studied the Convention dates of Synod in accordance with action of the 1953 Convention, and presents the following advantages of the January date over the May date:

1. It is held when there are few other Conventions of Synods of our United Lutheran Church being held, and thus we have a great advantage in publicity in the Church paper.
2. Because of the above, likewise, it is possible for the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California to have a choice of representatives at the Convention of Synod, due to the fact that during the May date there are so many conventions held that we would have to accept the one that might be available among the many who are being sent to the various Synods.

3. The January date locally has the advantage in that the reports are fresh and interesting and thus have an inspirational character which brings about a more active program for the coming year.

4. A May convention takes action which must be held in abeyance until January 1st of the following year and thus some of the inspiration and motivating forces are lost in the interim.

5. The January date makes possible a pre-Lenten inspiration and spiritual retreat for all of the pastors and delegates of Synod, so that Synod takes on not only a business session, but likewise a spiritual experience.

The only disadvantage of the January convention date is the matter of reports. Those making reports, such as the Report of the Statistician, have great difficulty getting all the material in time, but our experience has been such that we have found that it is possible to get such reports in in spite of the heavy responsibilities involved.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Synod continue the present convention date as listed in the Constitution of Synod, that the annual convention of Synod shall be held during the week in which the 1st of February occurs.

2. That the following congregations be received into the membership of the Synod:
   Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Downey, California
   The Rev. Neale O. Jenson, Pastor-Organizer.
   Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Yuma, Arizona
   The Rev. Stanley Olson, Pastor-Organizer.
   Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, Concord, California
   The Rev. William Stremel, Pastor-Organizer.
   Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sacramento, California
   The Rev. George E. Steffens, Pastor-Organizer.
   St. Stephens Evangelical Lutheran Church, Santa Cruz, California
   The Rev. Charles Endter, Pastor-Organizer.
   Shepherd of the Valley Evangelical Lutheran Church, Orinda, California
   The Rev. Edward Andersen, Pastor-Organizer.
   Mt. Olivet Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lakewood, California
   The Rev. James Youngquist, Pastor-Organizer.

3. That all congregations who have not already adopted the "Model Constitution for Congregations" as the official constitution of their congregation be urged to consider taking steps to do so.

4. That a committee be appointed during the year 1954 to study the grace system and make such recommendations as may seem feasible at that time to the 1955 Convention of Synod. It is further recommended that this special committee appointed should have at least one meeting prior to the 1955 Convention with the Executive Committee of Synod to discuss such actions as may be presented to the Convention of the Synod.

5. That a non-expendable capital fund for Home Missions of $100,000 be developed by the Synod over a period of ten years, $10,000 of this amount to be included in the 1954 budget, and that the principle be established for the guidance of budget committees and conventions of Synod; that each year until 1963 an additional $10,000 be included in the annual budget for this fund.

6. That the Executive Committee be given power to borrow $100,000 on demand notes over a ten-year period with one-tenth falling due each year, with the rate of interest on one-year loans at 3% and those of two years or more at the rate of 4%, and interest and principal according to the particular note be paid quarterly, and demand notes be in $500 to $1,000 denominations, with the right of Synod to prepay and redeem any or all of the notes on any interest payment date.

7. The Executive Committee recommends that Synod adopt the Constitution as submitted as the Official Constitution of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary

Recommendations Number 1 and 7 were deleted from the report.

Action of recommendation Number 2 was postponed until tomorrow's sessio

Recommendations 3 to 6 were adopted with the exception that the first figure i Item 6 was corrected to read $100,000.

Motion was made that Synod instruct the Executive Committee to call in place o an Assistant to the President, a full-time Mission Supervisor.

Motion was made and seconded that this matter be referred to the Executiv Committee for study and report to the next Convention of Synod.

The motion was amended by substituting the words "with power to act" fo "and report to the next Convention of Synod."

The amended motion was carried.

Motion prevailed that the report of Midland College be received and the recom mendations considered seriatim.

ANNUAL REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

for the School Year

1953-1954

President Paul W. Dieckman says:

GENERAL STATEMENT

This has been a significant year in the history of Midland College. The magni cent way the supporting synods responded to our needs has given rise to a new op mism which characterizes every department of the College. At the beginning of th report we want to express our gratitude to the officers and members of the Californ Synod, together with their representatives on the Midland Board of Trustees, for the support and continued interest in the work of the College.

CAMPUS MORALE

Campus morale has been good during the year. There have been more encou aging indications of a deepening religious attitude on the part of Midland College st dent body. In this regard it is to be noted that the Student Council this year request the administration to set aside a period of ten minutes every morning from 7:35 7:45 for prayer and meditation. This renewed spiritual impact has made the camp a much finer place on which to live during the course of the past year. This also with the Religious Emphasis Program and the daily chapel services all become part of the development of the student during his campus years, so that upon b coming an alumnus he will have a greater desire for Christian service along with t basic essentials of his profession.

NEW LIBRARY BUILDING

As a part of the program of the Christian Higher Education Appeal, Midla College has been privileged to construct a $185,000 library building. This building w contain a reading and a stack room sufficiently large to accomodate 60,000 volum and 125 students; a periodical room, meeting and audio visual room, office a workrooms for the librarian and her assistants.

STUDENT UNION

The library, which has been in the Administration Building through these yea will be converted into a much enlarged Student Union for the student body. The s dent body has agreed to assume the responsibility for the refurbishing and refurnishi of these new quarters. It being a student project, it has created a tremendous amou of interest in the mind and hearts of the students and has done much to unite mo closely the members of the student body in a common task.

MEN OF MIDLAND

The newest auxiliary of the College is an organization known as The Men Midland. Its objects are: (1) To organize a body of men of Christian character a unite its members into the closest bonds of Christian fellowship; (2) To encourage tive participation in all things relating to Midland College; (3) To aid and assist

every way possible the promotion of Christian higher education at Midland College; (4) To encourage and secure financial contributions for the support and betterment of Midland College; (5) To promote the cause of Midland College within the Church and among the public. The goal is 2500 members. The dues for an active member is that sum which each member desires to contribute, the minimum being $10.00 annually. There are already a large number of men, including some from the California Synod, who have expressed an interest in this auxiliary through their membership.

CURRENT DEFICIT

It is a truism that in the past year ending May 31, 1953, the net operating deficit for that year was $21,640.76. There are certain factors which have brought about this particular deficit. First of all the budget was based upon a student body of 350 students. This, unfortunately, did not materialize. The second contributing factor was the refurnishing and refurbishing of Beegle Hall; inasmuch as approximately $20,000 was allocated from current funds, the balance of the expense being contributed by special givers. A third contributing factor is the constantly rising costs. For example, this past year it cost $729.07 for the education of each student at Midland College. This is only an increase of aproximately $200 over a five-year period. At the same time students attending Midland College pay only 53.5% of the actual cost of an education. The rest of it comes from church grants, gifts and endowment. These figures may indicate a rather high expenditure per student, yet in light of the cost of education at a tax supported school in the state of Nebraska it is only half as much. As a further comparison, the instructional expense at Midland is lower than the average for the Protestant colleges of America. This is due to the low salary schedule. There are only three ways of overcoming this obstacle and that is having more freshmen, more friends, more funds. Your aid and assistance in these matters will be sincerely appreciated by the members of the Board of Trustees of Midland College.

TOMORROW'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The general concept of education has in recent years been subject to criticism. During the past several years, however, this criticism has ceased and the collegiate world is more convinced than ever that an independent college must unceasingly seek additions to its endowment. A good principle is that the endowment should be at least equal to the value of the plant. For Midland this would mean an endowment of a minimum of one million dollars, which at the rate of return earned last year, would be more than enough to meet the deficit of last year. Tuition income and monies received from the operation of auxiliary enterprises cannot be expected to carry on a good college. The standards and equipment, faculty and services demanded of an accredited college today preclude any possibility of operating successfully without substantial gifts in endowment income. Outside help must be obtained in the case of colleges like Midland. The federal and state governments cannot give any direct help. We must seek our help among our constituencies. For this reason we are very grateful to the California Synod for permitting the College to conduct a year-end appeal in 1953. It has been successful and for this reason we sincerely beseech the members of the California Synod to grant Midland College the privilege of again in 1954 conducting among the churches of Synod a year-end appeal.

FIGURES TELL THE STORY

Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1953

INCOME	
Educational and General	$127,721.98
Endowment Investment	22,931.22
Gifts and Grants	106,371.28
Other Income	3,626.17
Auxiliary Enterprises	147,156.69
Total Receipts	$407,807.34
EXPENSE	
Educational and General	$263,208.31
Auxiliary Enterprises	150,704.21
Other Non-Educational Expenses	17,356.19
Total Expenses	$431,268.71
Cash Operating Loss	23,461.37
Increase in Inventories	1,820.61
Net Operating Loss	$ 21,640.76

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Midland College continue upon the Synodical apportionment for 1954 in the amount of $5,500. An effort to increase this amount would be greatly appreciated. Continued rising cost in operation has made additional demands upon our Treasurer.
2. That Midland College be given the privilege of a year-end appeal in 1954 after the general pattern of the one in 1953.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Trustees:
James P. Beasom, Jr.
Albert B. Schwertz

Motion prevailed that Item 1 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 2 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 2 be referred to the Executive Committee.

Motion was carried.

Motion prevailed that the report as a whole be adopted.

Mr. Paul Thomas presented the report of the Laymen.

REPORT OF THE LAYMEN

Once again the lay delegates have expressed their desire for a strong synod-wide layman organization.

We ask that the Executive Board of our Synod at its next regular meeting appoint a committee charged with the responsibility of bringing this into action.

PAUL THOMAS, Chairman

Motion prevailed that the Executive Board of Synod at its next regular meeting appoint a Committee charged with the responsibility of bringing a strong Synod wide Laymen's organization into being.

Mr. Carl Bell presented the report of the Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

GENERAL FUND

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$50,365.46	
Trust Deed Note receivable	1,502.00	
Notes and loans receivable	20,646.37	
		$ 72,513.83
Fixed Assets		
Furniture and Equipment		2,339.33
Mission Properties		29,748.37
Other Assets		
Deposits	425.00	
Stationery and office supplies	485.58	
Blue Cross and pension advances	296.25	
Fidelity Bond	489.07	
		1,695.90
		$106,297.43

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Current Liabilities		
Notes payable	$50,000.00	
Benevolences undistributed	3,251.60	
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal	11,598.55	
Lutheran World Action	1,526.56	
Crusade for Youth	15,719.74	
Withholding and payroll taxes	286.54	
		$ 82,382.99
Designated Reserves		22,033.20
Operation Reserve		1,881.24
		$106,297.43

GENERAL FUND
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Work of the Larger Church and Operations
Year ended December 31, 1953

Receipts			
Apportionment			$193,268.24
Disbursements	**Budget**	**Actual**	
U.L.C.A. Apportionment	$ 85,503.00	$ 85,503.00	
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	25,500.00	25,500.00	
Midland College	5,500.00	5,500.00	
Youth Camping	6,191.00	6,969.05	
Inter-Synodical and Denominational	1,225.00	1,150.00	
Home Missions	15,000.00	13,597.31	
Trailer Ministry	0	2,268.34	
Ministerial Education	3,000.00	3,860.00	
California Lutheran Home	1,200.00	1,200.00	
*Conventions	7,000.00	7,529.86	
Committees	3,000.00	4,157.82	
*Office and Travel	11,250.00	12,726.13	
*Administrative	18,580.00	18,626.30	
Gift by action of Convention of Synod	4,000.00	4,000.00	
Total disbursements	$186,949.00		192,587.81
Increase			$ 680.43

* See analysis of budget classifications

Operations Reserve

Balance—January 1, 1953		$ 2,466.26
Additions to Reserve		
Annual Theological Lectures	$ 525.00	
1953 Operations	680.43	1,205.43
		3,671.69
Reductions		
1952 Adjustments		1,790.45
Balance—December 31, 1953		$ 1,881.24

GENERAL FUND
Analysis of Budget Classifications
December 31, 1953
Office and Travel

	Budget	Actual
Golden State Lutheran	$ 1,200.00	$ 1,196.28
Office rent	1,800.00	1,800.00
Telephone	600.00	647.05
Postage and express	500.00	553.29
Office supplies and expense	900.00	1,021.18
Expenses of the Office of President	4,750.00	4,500.00
Expenses—Assistant to President	1,500.00	3,008.33
	$11,250.00	$12,726.13

Administrative Fund

Salary—President	$ 5,800.00	$ 5,800.00
Salary—Assistant to President	4,300.00	4,300.00
Parsonage allowances	2,400.00	2,400.00
Salary allowance—Secretary	250.00	250.00
Salary allowance—Comptroller	900.00	900.00
Office secretarial and clerical salaries	3,800.00	3,930.75
Pension, Insurance & social security	1,130.00	1,045.55
	$18,580.00	$18,626.30

Conventions

Travel of Delegates	$ 3,000.00	$ 3,288.49
Other Convention expense	1,500.00	883.24
Minutes of Synod	1,500.00	2,358.13
U.L.C.A.—Per diem allowances	1,000.00	1,000.00
	$ 7,000.00	$ 7,529.86

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Charges and Receipts Against the Home Mission Budget Year Ended December 31, 1953

Mission assistance and development		$ 2,257.64
Supplies used by Mission Churches		1,504.27
Assistance for specific purposes		5,074.44
Parsonage operations		1,074.00
Survey costs		303.87
Pastor supply and salary aid		4,475.00
Assistance to students from Hawaii attending Midland		2,100.00
Interest on interim loan financing		1,324.50
		$ 18,113.72
Receipts		
Women's Missionary Society	$ 3,805.77	
Churches	500.00	
Interest	210.64	4,516.41
		$ 13,597.31

GENERAL FUND

Mission Properties

December 31, 1953

Cost of Parsonages, Church Properties, House Chapels:		
Purchase Price	$120,498.65	
Repairs, interest, taxes, insurance	3,040.21	$123,538.86
Properties in escrow		20,901.67
		144,440.53
Deduct Cash received from missions	4,110.31	
Property obligations	110,581.85	114,692.16
Synod's Equity at December 31, 1953		$ 29,748.37

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Designated Reserves

December 31, 1953

	1-1-53	Receipts	Disbursements	12-31-53
Home Missions	$14,566.32	$	$	$14,566.32
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	1,339.13	.....	86.17	1,252.96
Lectures	525.00	.....	525.00	.....
Seminary Books	5.00	31.75	17.00	19.75
Noel Memorial Reserve	2,500.00	.....	.....	2,500.00
Special Reserve	734.61	1,266.30	1,200.00	800.91
Special Relief Fund	483.85	310.96	175.00	619.81
Trailer Ministry Chapel Fund	.....	1,273.45	.....	1,273.45
U.L.C.A. Biennial Convention	.....	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00
	$20,153.91	$ 3,882.46	$ 2,003.17	$22,033.20

GENERAL FUND

December 31, 1953

Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Appeal

Receipts—1952	$ 99,885.93	
Receipts—1953	51,517.32	
Total Receipts		$151,403.25
Disbursements		
Expenses	29,204.70	
Cash to P.L.S.	110,500.00	
Bond from St. Mark's, San Francisco	100.00	
Total Disbursements		139,804.70
		$ 11,598.55

GENERAL FUND

Lutheran World Action

December 31, 1953

Balance—January 1, 1953	$ 565.46
Receipts from Churches	21,439.86
	22,005.32
Remittances to U.L.C.A. (Goal $20,478.76)	20,478.76
Balance—December 31, 1953	$ 1,526.56

GENERAL FUND

Apportionment, Lutheran World Action, Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal, Youth Crusade, and other Benevolences from Churches

City	Church	Apportionment	%	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Youth Crusade	Others	Total
Alhambra,	Grace	$ 2,563.70	92	$ 21.00	$ 243.90	$ 102.30	$ —	$ 2,930.90
Alhambra,	Our Saviour's	864.00	100	101.55	295.50	140.15	140.00	1,541.20
Altadena,	Altadena	2,064.00	100	—	995.20	572.05	205.40	3,836.65
Azusa,	Calvary	780.00	100	63.98	126.07	50.00	10.00	1,030.05
Baldwin Park,	Ascension	1,992.00	100	77.32	991.29	305.02	—	3,365.63
Berkeley,	St. Michael's	3,226.97	103	446.64	992.27	267.30	16.62	4,949.80
Berkeley,	Shepherd-of-the-Hills	632.98	175	186.55	50.00	25.00	282.65	1,077.18
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	647.00	46	11.85	—	—	—	658.85
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	1,896.00	100	17.26	1,042.00	188.00	3.00	3,146.26
Central Valley,	St. James'	266.48	79	—	—	—	—	266.48
Concord,	Good Shepherd	105.02	100	—	—	—	—	105.02
Culver City,	Grace	2,244.00	101	—	1,050.00	—	—	3,294.00
Downey,	Mission	244.63	100	13.00	—	—	—	257.63
El Monte,	Redeemer	756.00	100	48.34	—	44.80	—	849.14
Fresno,	Faith	864.00	100	—	183.00	—	—	1,047.00
Fresno,	First	3,000.00	100	400.00	2,093.00	345.21	242.92	6,081.13
Fresno,	St. Paul's	724.00	45	50.00	25.00	—	—	799.00
Fresno,	Wartburg	262.50	100	44.25	—	—	—	306.75
Gardena,	St. John's	1,204.00	100	153.94	—	730.20	50.00	2,138.14
Glendale,	First	10,995.00	101	1,269.00	2,475.00	1,325.67	1,256.76	17,319.43
Globe,	St. Paul's	677.00	120	40.00	195.00	—	—	912.00
Hollywood,	Hollywood	$ 3,944.95	106	$ 417.33	$ 1,384.13	623.73	$ —	$ 6,370.14
Honolulu,	Honolulu	1,453.61	101	218.66	17.50	20.00	505.00	2,214.77
Honolulu,	Pearl Harbor	360.00	100	50.00	12.00	—	—	422.00
Honolulu,	St. Paul's	780.00	105	91.00	337.20	—	10.00	1,218.20
Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	3,972.00	100	434.41	960.90	775.51	110.00	6,252.82
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	5,208.00	100	600.00	3,250.00	154 56	—	9,212.56
La Canada,	Foothills	2,147.90	100	128.36	—	251.55	—	2,527.81
Las Vegas,	Reformation	585.25	115	87.15	149.00	65.00	—	886.40
Lihue,	Lihue	456.00	100	—	—	—	—	456.00

City Church	Apportionment	%	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Youth Crusade	Others	Total
Long Beach, Faith	963.60	110	44.00	50.00	—	—	1,057.60
Long Beach, Gloria Dei	168.00	47	—	—	—	—	168.00
Long Beach, Lakewood	2,496.00	100	290.00	—	—	110.00	2,896.00
Long Beach, Trinity	6,036.00	100	701.00	2,527.37	2,862.86	1,897.24	14,024.47
Los Angeles, Advent	2,904.00	100	362.90	1,191.00	373.95	341.60	5,173.45
Los Angeles, Bethany	390.00	72	22.00	—	19.00	—	431.00
Los Angeles, First English	9,012.00	100	1,050.00	100.00	1,000.00	998.00	12,160.00
Los Angeles, Peace	441.92	82	33.50	—	85.30	—	560.72
Los Angeles, St. Mark's	1,048.02	105	123.00	334.00	231.65	61.25	1,797.92
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	1,380.00	100	182.00	92.00	100.00	—	1,754.00
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	1,188.00	100	—	—	—	—	1,188.00
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	1,755.00	105	194.00	695.06	457.80	124.00	3,225.86
Mountain View, Mission	125.50	100	20.54	—	—	—	146.04
Norco, Bethany	504.00	100	88.35	114.50	—	11.95	718.80
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's	4,380.00	100	560.75	1,305.15	450.00	252.00	6,947.90
North Lakewood, Mt. Olivet	50.00	100	—	—	—	—	50.00
Oakland, First	$ 2,482.05	101	$ 293.00	$ 1,929.20	204.25	$ 525.00	$ 5,433.50
Oakland, St. John's	1,380.00	100	95.50	691.00	—	25.00	2,191.50
Orinda, Shepherd of the Valley	427.79	100	70.00	—	—	—	497.79
Pasadena, Trinity	4,296.00	120	826.15	1,625.05	1,428.00	189.00	8,364.20
Phoenix, Faith	6,060.00	100	750.00	2,998.50	125.50	—	9,934.00
Phoenix, Grace	10,032.00	100	1,166.00	—	—	—	11,198.00
Phoenix, Mount of Olives	648.00	100	75.00	—	—	18.72	741.72
Placerville, Mission	35.00	100	10.00	11.00	20.00	—	76.00
Pomona, Trinity	1,410.00	101	171.58	—	272.95	—	1,854.53
Redding, United	425.10	80	25.00	30.00	—	—	480.10
Redlands, First	1,254.00	110	203.00	117.00	478.00	75.00	2,127.00
Redwood City, Messiah	790.00	101	132.33	—	—	—	922.33
Reno, Good Shepherd	1,185.00	73	—	—	—	—	1,185.00
Richmond, Grace	6,252.00	100	728.35	999.27	407.55	695.92	9,083.09
Richmond, Peace	625.59	109	70.74	300.14	175.46	20.00	1,191.93
Richmond, St. James'	1,188.00	100	125.00	50.00	—	—	1,363.00
Riverside, Trinity	3,012.00	100	350.00	1,800.49	1,000.00	—	6,162.49
Sacramento, First English	2,724.60	100	389.35	1,642.45	—	—	4,756.40

City Church	Apportionment	%	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Youth Crusade	Others	Total
Sacramento, St. John's	9,759.59	102	1,331.68	2,437.04	2,259.27	650.00	16,437.58
Sacramento, St. Paul's	1,464.60	129	143.00	515.50	405.00	55.00	2,583.10
Sacramento, Our Redeemer	—	—	—	—	17.81	—	17.81
San Bernardino, First	3,330.36	100	410.07	337.50	270.35	13.85	4,362.13
San Diego, Christ	3,926.00	101	460.00	2,080.00	1,010.00	1,155.00	8,631.00
San Diego, First	3,748.24	101	441.04	711.72	169.00	175.50	5,245.50
San Diego, St. Peter's	1,248.00	100	142.82	124.50	49.05	20.38	1,584.75
San Fernando, St. Mark's	870.92	72	—	—	—	—	870.92
San Francisco, First United	756.00	100	138.00	975.31	162.45	—	2,031.76
San Francisco, St. Mark's	$ 3,768.00	100	$ 449.23	$ 956.75	—	$ 215.05	$ 5,389.03
San Francisco, St. Matthew's	1,416.00	100	165.00	503.00	—	20.00	2,104.00
San Francisco, Temple	1,050.00	100	—	601.60	—	—	1,651.60
Sanger, St. Paul's	214.55	49	56.00	48.00	126.95	—	445.50
San Leandro, Epiphany	2,364.00	100	19.00	218.53	57.16	23.57	1,458.26
San Jose, Bethany	1,140.00	100	254.00	500.00	—	78.61	2,992.61
San Jose, Grace	2,160.00	100	100.91	388.75	—	—	2,853.66
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	3,010.00	100	420.00	1,021.00	61.00	—	4,512.00
Santa Ana, United	1,560.00	100	—	233.00	—	12.86	1,805.86
Santa Barbara, Grace	1,784.37	101	204.00	402.50	351.80	200.00	2,942.67
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	—	—	80.61	—	106.35	59.41	246.37
Santa Monica, St. Paul's	2,979.63	110	706.83	788.03	511.13	—	4,985.62
Sutter Creek, Mt. Olive Parish	30.00	100	55.50	20.00	42.33	15.00	162.83
Tucson, Our Saviour's	4,444.00	102	508.30	1,184.24	467.38	50.00	6,653.92
Vallejo, St. Paul's	2,780.35	105	310.00	336.61	264.95	50.00	3,741.91
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	2,052.00	100	239.00	992.60	—	—	3,283.60
Westwood, Village	933.28	51	10.00	—	—	—	943.28
Whittier, Salem	3,276.00	100	409.00	587.00	1,848.00	150.00	6,270.00
Yuma, Faith	397.25	100	76.01	—	27.00	7.06	507.32
Yreka, Mt. Zion	597.08	101	41.00	83.00	35.30	10.00	766.38
California Lutheran Home	223.86	100	44.23	—	—	—	268.09
Individuals	—	—	100.00	—	221.47	159.50	480.97
	$193,268.24	100+	$21,439.86	$51,517.32	$24,142.07	$11,197.82	$301,565.31

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash in banks	$31,930.08	
Imprest cash fund	1,000.00	
Notes and loans receivable	28,500.00	
Inventory	3,600.40	
		$65,030.48
Fixed Assets		
Automotive equipment	4,830.86	
Construction equipment	2,160.20	
Furniture and office equipment	754.01	
	7,745.07	
Less reserve for depreciation	2,642.14	
		5,102.93
Other Assets		
Insurance deposits		1,000.00
		$71,133.41

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Building construction deposits	$45,231.00	
Payroll and withholding taxes	586.69	
		$45,817.69
Designated Funds		5,000.00
Net Worth		
Balance—January 1, 1953	18,450.07	
Net income	1,865.65	
		20,315.72
		$71,133.41

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION
Statement of Income and Expense
Year ended December 31, 1953

Income		
Church Extension Receipts		$24,908.73
Expenses		
Accounting	$ 600.00	
Auto and truck expense	464.98	
Blue Cross	35.25	
F.I.C.A. Contributions	234.07	
Insurance	1,209.65	
Office supplies and expense	436.37	
Pension expense	432.00	
Salaries—office	2,875.00	
Salary—Director	5,400.00	
Supplies	41.99	
Depreciation	2,383.72	
Telephone	586.46	
Travel	778.39	
Interest	68.70	
Utilities	240.00	
Miscellaneous	1,110.00	
Janitorial services	240.00	
Allowances on construction	5,906.50	
Total expenses		23,043.08
		$ 1,865.65

INSURANCE COVERAGE

December 31, 1953

Synod Office

Fire Insurance—Office furniture and equipment	$ 3,000.00
Burglary—open stock	1,000.00
Fidelity Bond—Named positions (each position)	15,000.00
Fire & Theft Insurance (Floater Policy)—Dictaphones	700.00
Workmen's Compensation	Provisional

Trailer Ministry

Comprehensive Liability:	
Automobile—P.L., P.D., B.I., $100 deductible, Fire & Theft	$5M, $50M, $100M
All other—P.L., P.D., B.I.	$1M & $10M, $50M & $100M
Fire & Theft Insurance (Floater Policy)—Cameras, projection equipment and office equipment	$ 1,151.00
Workmen's Compensation	Provisional

Church Extension Division

Comprehensive Liability:	
Automobiles—P.L., P.D., B.I., $100 deductible, Fire & Theft	$5M, $50M, $100M
All other—P.L., P.D., B.I.	$1M & $10M, $50M & $100M
Fire & Theft Insurance (Floater Policy)—Construction Equipment	$ 700.00
Fire & Theft Insurance—Tools and supplies	2,500.00
Workmen's Compensation	Provisional

GOALS FOR 1954

California Synod

Apportionment, 19,000 members at $12.00	$228,000.00
Lutheran World Action, 19,000 members at $1.30	$ 25,705.00

United Lutheran Church in America

Synod's quota to U.L.C.A. for Apportionment	$103,522.00
Synod's quota to U.L.C.A. for L.W.A.	$ 22,603.02

Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted subject to audit by the Auditing Committee. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the report of the Committee on Constitutions be adopted with the following addition:

"We have examined the new Constitution recently adopted by the First Lutheran congregation of San Diego and recommend it to Synod for approval" and that the names of all new congregations of Synod be included. Motion was carried.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS

We wish to report that the following listed congregations have submitted copies of their newly adopted constitutions. In each instance they have used the model constitution for ULCA congregations and the variable factors have been acceptably established. Therefore we recommend the acceptance into Synod of:

The Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer—Sacramento, California
Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church—Downey, California
St. Stephens Evangelical Lutheran Church—Santa Cruz, California
Faith Lutheran Church—Yuma, Arizona
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church—Orinda, California
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church—Concord, California
Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church—Lakewood, California

We have also examined the constitution which has been adopted by St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Los Angeles to replace their former constitution. The new document is based upon the model constitution for ULCA congregations; the variable factors and the clause added to Art IV section 5 of the suggested form are all in order and acceptable. Therefore we recommend the aproval of this constitution.

We have examined the proposed amendments to the constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation, and having found them in order and acceptable, we recommend the adoption.

We have examined the new Constitution recently adopted by the First Lutheran congregation of San Diego and recommend it to Synod for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Constitutions

The following reports were adopted:

THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee held five meetings since the last Synodical convention at Richmond in January 1953. One of these meetings was held with the Executive Committee in order to clarify functions of the Examining Committee.

Ten candidates for ordination appeared before our Committee for examination and were recommended to the Executive Committee for Ordination. One candidate was recommended for ad interim licensure.

On December 1 and 2, 1953 your Examining Committee executed the recommendations of the Executive Committee by having all Seniors of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary appear before the Examining Committee for the purpose of a preliminary examination, subject to a final examination upon receipt of a call to a congregation in the California Synod.

Your Examining Committee also met with the student body of Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in order to give friendly counsel to them, in accordance with a resolution of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Erwin A. Vosseler, Chairman

E. F. Valbracht, D.D. Secretary

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK

This is not the report of a committee but rather is a report of the work being accomplished through the Lutheran Student Foundations on the territory of our Synod. As a preliminary to the reports from the leaders of these Foundations we wish to call attention to the Report of the Student Secretary of the California Synod WMS, Mrs. Charles Miley. Some statistics from her report are very interesting.

Of 94 questionnaires mailed, reports were received from 84 indicating that 62 congregations had students in institutions of higher learning and 22 did not. There were 72 different institutions attended, 7 Lutheran schools and 63 non-Lutheran schools. Students attending non-Lutheran Schools numbered 20 in the State of California and 43 students outside California.

Students preparing for full-time work in the Church numbered 45 as follows: Ministry 33; Music 1; Medical 8; Deaconess 1; Social Welfare 2. In addition, 32 are studying Nursing. Seminary students are reported being located as follows: Mt. Airy 1; Central 1, and Pacific 11.

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION OF ARIZONA

The newest of the Foundations is being ably brought into being by Rev. George Spindt at Tucson. Organized a little more than a year ago they are completing organizational details with state authorities and soon shall submit their Constitution to Synod for approval.

The Foundation functions primarily on two campuses at Tucson and Tempe. Work is also carried on at Phoenix Jr. College and is planned for Flagstaff State Teachers College. A part-time Graduate Assistant, Miss Anne Leo, is Student Counselor at the University of Arizona at Tucson, and the other work is cared for by pastors of the NLC.

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

The Northern Foundation housed on the campus at Berkeley is under the direction of Rev. Otto Bremer, ULC pastor who assumed this task beginning with Fall Term 1953. He replaces Miss Jean Gringle who resigned to continue her studies. Miss Janet Holling is the counselor to students at Berkeley and Mr. Robert Brorby (ULCA) is president of the Foundation.

Major attention is being given to expansion of the Foundation's Services. Present enrollment at Northern California institutions numbers 80,000 with over 100,000 expected by 1960. Present plans envision student workers at San Jose State College, Fresno State College, Stanford University, and San Francisco Area schools. Requests have been made of the NLC's Student Service Division for $78,000 for capital investment funds.

Mrs. Lottie Kohls continues to serve a large number of foreign students in the Berkeley Area working under the appreciated grant from the WMS of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Lutheran Student Associations are functioning at Fresno, San Jose, Stanford, City College and State College, San Francisco.

The Rev. Clyde Grimstvedt resigned as Western Regional Secretary for the Student Service Division and the Rev. Henry Hetland from Madison, Wisconsin, now serves in this capacity.

LUTHERAN STUDENT FOUNDATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

The work in Southern California continues under the Leadership of Rev. Oscar Ice (ALC pastor) and until recently Rev. Henry Scherer served capably as Foundation President. The work is centered in the Student House located on the campus at Southern California and through an office in the University Religious Conference Building at U.C.L.A.

Ten active Lutheran Student Associations exist representing 17 campuses. Over 30 pastors and staff persons are handling the program of the Foundation. One of the major problems is the lack of staff continuity. Both graduate assistants, Miss Littau and Mr. Fagre remain for only one year. The contact pastors and the Counselors serve under the direction of the Foundation Executive Secretary, Rev. Ice.

A Chapter of the Foundation has been organized in the San Diego Area. Increasingly there is an awareness of the work of the Student Work in the Southern California area as the congregations use the services provided through deputation teams, slides and use the Staff personnel for speaking engagements.

Two things which our Synod can do for this Foundation particularly, provide greater financial support and make greater use of the Director, Rev. Ice. Invite him to speak to your congregation and groups on the Ministry to Students.

CONCLUSION

The Ministry to Students is a cooperative work through the National Lutheran Council. The NLC makes just minimum grants to the Foundations. In no wise do they attempt to care for all the expenses. The Foundations must supplement these NLC grants by gifts from individuals, congregations and synods, conferences, and districts. Each of the Foundations needs your support. The ULCA has been a leader in the Ministry to Students through the years, and we need to continue more vitally our sincere interest.

In a sense this too, is part of the Leadership Training Program of the Synod. Our congregations need the consecrated leadership of the graduates of these schools. We need to care for those Lutherans who come to this area from other parts of the nation in the same manner that our young people in Nebraska, Connecticut, and elsewhere are being ministered to by Lutheran people's gifts in those areas.

For the Committee
Howard L. Logan

REPORT OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN SEMINARY APPEAL

The Seminary Appeal receipts for 1953 total $49,307.60, making a grand total received thus far $149,193.53. The Appeal continues in those congregations which have not as yet met their quota or assured response. The need for these funds is critical. The Seminary is in the midst of an expansion program, building a new dormitory. Construction is far along with completion set for early 1954. If this dormitory is to be dedicated debt-free, it means that our congregations must complete their Seminary Appeal at the earliest possible moment.

To this end, it is recomended that Synod reaffirm the action taken at the Richmond Convention of 1953 (minutes page 80-81), especially emphasizing Recommendation 4, "That a congregation which has not completed its Appeal task at the close of the period originally allocated to the effort, shall consider the remaining balance due on its appeal quota or assurance, whichever is greater, as an unpaid obligation of the congregation which shall be discharged in full at the earliest opportunity."

Respectfully submitted,
H. Paul Romeis

Motion prevailed that the following recommendation from the report of the Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal be adopted: "that Synod reaffirm the action taken at the Richmond Convention of 1953 (minutes page 80-81) especially emphasizing recommendation 4, "that a congregation which has not completed its Appeal task at the close of the period originally allocated to the effort, shall consider the remaining balance due on its Appeal quota or assurance, whichever is greater, as an unpaid obligation of the congregation which shall be discharged in full at the earliest opportunity'."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

The work of the Women of the Church stressing, "Making His Way Known through Healing" has found favor in the sight of Almighty God. Their ardent prayers have been gloriously answered, resulting in the realization of their most cherished desires.

The Women of the Church for many years have been the Mighty Right Arm of Synod, and their efforts and their influence have been felt definitely throughout the territory. This year they concentrated again on Home Missions and many things were made possible because of their efforts, which otherwise would have been impossible. Faithfully, trusting the Master they served the Kingdom well.

In addition to the support of Missions, both at home and abroad, they have contributed substantially to the California Lutheran Home for the Aged, to the Pacific Lutheran Seminary, and to Camp Yolijwa.

Other faithful women throughout the church labor in many fields; the Church School, the Luther League, and in choirs, ever doing the one thing needful, and your Committee highly commends these loyal souls for their unfailing love of the Kingdom and the Master, their Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Heinecken, Chairman

REPORT OF THE PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE

This committee arranged the itinerary of the Rev. Harner Middleswarth, ULCA Parish Education Board representative, who conducted twelve Vacation Church School Workshops in as many areas of Synod from Berkeley to Tucson from May 19 - June 4.

This committee also arranged the itinerary of the Rev. J. William Wahl, another Board representative, who supervised Parish Education Evaluation Programs in fifteen churches of Synod from October 4 - October 22, from Richmond to Long Beach.

Through Mrs. David Epple (3359 Canyon Crest Road, Altadena, Calif.), a member of the Chairman's church, this committee has continued distribution of:

1. the ten teacher-training filmstrips and records it has; they have been widely used by our pastors as "meat" for monthly Workers' Conferences;
2. the four "How to Teach the Bible" filmstrips and records,
   a. to the pre-school child,
   b. to children 6-11,
   c. to high school youth, and
   d. to adults.
3. and now this Committee, thru Mrs. Epple, is distributing "Share Christ Today", a filmstrip and record on congregational evangelism. (This normally is a function of the Social Missions Committee, but since we are set up for it, we are distributing it.)

The chairman attended the two-day meeting of the 34 synodical chairmen of Parish Education, six synodical secretaries of Parish Education, and representatives of the Board in Cincinnati on January 20-21.

Slowly the vast scope of work that should be done in Parish Education in the California Synod is unfolding, and little by little new steps are being taken. We have most of the way to go.

Two projects (and there are more) we shall promote:

1. Wider use of "The Parish School", an excellent help for the total Parish Education picture.
2. We shall ask interested pastors and lay people for their frank evaluations of a printed statement, just off the press, of the past, current, and long-range purposes of the ULCA's Board of Parish Education.

Respectfully submitted,
Titus R. Scholl, Chairman

REPORT OF PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

In a recent address, President Eisenhower called attention to the fact that in building a house you must first lay a firm foundation. In a sense, this same principle can be said to apply to our public relations activities. During the year your Chairman and members of the committee have had several discussions with the Rev. J. P. Beasom, D.D. and other members of his staff. In at least two of these talks, plans were discussed for a possible budget to be allotted for public relations and promotional literature.

Another suggestion that likewise received attention was that of a part-time director of public relations activities. The thought in having such a part-time director on the Synod staff was that it would enable greater attention to be given to special activities deserving notice in newspapers, on radio and on television. We know that there are any number of happenings throughout the year which would make welcome material for press and for radio and television. Such a director would also be able to help supply publicity ideas to many of our churches. In like manner he might be instrumental in helping to prepare a group of ads which the local churches could use, if desired, in the community papers.

During the year it has been our pleasure to see one of our committee members appointed to direct national public relations activities of The United Lutheran Church. We are looking forward to great things from Mr. Charles Hushaw, the new Public Relations Director, who is now in New York and likely organizing plans that will give the proper emphasis to increased public relations in all United Lutheran Churches throughout the country. As members of the public relations committee, we are naturally looking forward to cooperating with Mr. Hushaw in every manner possible.

In closing this brief report I would like once more to call special attention to the growth of television. It is a new medium which our Church cannot long afford to neglect or under-emphasize. Many local churches can get television time free if they ask for it. This is true because every television and radio station is required to give, without charge, a certain amount of time to worthwhile church and charity projects.

I believe that the Synod headquarters in New York has available a number of films which should be ideal for such release. There may be pastors in our congregations who will wish to follow up this lead. Then, too, in the Southern California area, the Inglewood Cemetery Association is continuing its Sunday telecast of church ser-

vices. Several of our churches have appeared on this program. If your church is located in the area, don't hesitate to request the privilege of having your services broadcast. Permit us to say, also, that if any church is interested in having a public relations program developed by your public relations committee, we will be very happy to try.

We shall look forward during 1954 to hearing from more of you personally and to seeing increased activities in publicity and advertising on the part of all of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
P. O. Narveson, Chairman

REPORT OF SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE

California Synodical Luther League, under the very aggressive leadership of Mr. Mike Schon, now a student for the ministry at Central Seminary, had an exceptionally fine year.

A special feature of the past year was the Leadership Training Program carried out very successfully at Santa Barbara in the spring. The invitation to attend was sent to officers and selected leaders of the various Leagues and the entire Conference was devoted to the training of leadership. The Conference felt the excellent leadership and organizing capacity of Mr. Schon.

The State Convention was held at Richmond, California, with Grace Church as hosts. The Convention was successful and effective. All financial obligations, both to the Luther League of America and special commitments, were met.

The following officers were elected at Richmond:

President.....Allan Roget
Vice-President.....Ima Williamson
Secretary - Recording Secretary.....Barbara Smith
Corresponding Secretary.....Joyce Lampe
Treasurer.....James Miley

The 1954 Convention will be held at Grace Church, Culver City, over Labor Day weekend-

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

The executive committee of the Northern District Luther League met February 20, 1953, in Berkeley, California, with all members present, to discuss plans for the Spring Convention. On May 30 the Convention was held in St. John's Lutheran Church, Oakland, California; the Rev. P. Bergstresser, pastor, with 128 Leaguers registered. Enthusiasm was high and many new ideas were introduced and are now being used.

A number of District rallies were held throughout the year, the most recent at Sacramento, with a Bay-area car caravan starting from Richmond.

The Luther League program is commended to every league and to every pastor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
A. S. Hidy

SOUTHERN DISTRICT LUTHER LEAGUE

Activities in the Southern District Luther League have been steadily gaining in momentum. We are grateful to all pastors, advisers, officers and leaguers who have helped to bring about this fruitful accomplishment in this important phase of the life of our church. It is our prayer that every pastor and layman in our synod will continue to show keen interest in the strategic importance of Luther League work in building the life of every congregation.

Activities for the year have included invitations from many Leagues to attend various services, group gatherings and numerous outings. Interest in the camping program was emphasized with particular emphasis on Yolijwa.

In February our Leagues journeyed to Salem Lutheran Church, Whittier, the Rev. David Robison, pastor, for a most profitable and inspiring mid-winter Rally. Pastor Henry Scherer was the guest speaker.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, North Hollywood, the Rev. John Simmons, was host to our Spring Convention. Pastors Carl W. Segerhammar, Myrus L. Knutson and H. Paul Romeis were principal speakers. The theme of the Convention was "Thy Will be Done."

On November 23rd, 1953 the Southern District Luther Leaguers were hosted by First Lutheran Church, Glendale, the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, pastor. Dr. C. B. Foelsch, president of our Pacific Lutheran Seminary spoke at the overflowing evening banquet hall on the subject, "Are You a Living Light?"

Plans are now underway for the February 1954 Rally to be held at Ascension Lutheran Church, Baldwin Park, and the Spring Convention to be held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Inglewood.

Officers for the year are Gary Alden, President; Bill Minoit, Vice-President; Anna Silliman, Recording Secretary; Marion McDermott, Corresponding Secretary; and Robert Bruce, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Meyer

REPORT OF WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Two meetings of the Auxiliary were held during the year at the Seminary, one a Spring Tea on April 15, 1953 and the other a Fall Tea on November 15, 1953. The project undertaken this year was the furnishing of the single men's dormitory.

Money on hand October 1, was $1,450.00; amount needed for 1953 is $3,200.00. Membership figure as of October 1 is 632.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ROSS HIDY

Dr. Edward N. Spirer, Director of the Division of Church Extension, was presented to the Convention and was commended for the excellent work he is doing for the church.

Pastor Titus Scholl, Chairman of the Committee on Parish Education reported on the conference on Parish Education which he attended in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a representative from our Synod. He emphasized the importance of using the Parish Magazine, the appointment of Children's Secretary in each congregation, the holding of Vacation Bible Schools, and Week Day Church Schools.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee submits this supplementary report of the actions and recommendations of its January 13, 1954 meeting.

The matter of a Youth Worker was referred to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for further study and for consultation with the Executive Committee before action might be taken.

The rules governing payment of travel expenses of delegates presented at the 1953 Convention (Minutes of 1953 Convention, page 65) were established as the rules governing the 1954 Convention for the travel expenses of delegates.

The 1954 budget of the Hawaiian Pastors' Committee was referred to the Finance Committee for final disposition.

Recommendations

1. That the Executive Committee be authorized to register the Synod under its new name in such Counties and States in which Synod is doing business.

2. That Synod reaffirm its stand on apportionment, namely "That the first and primary call for benevolent funds of the congregation shall be the apportionment funds of Synod."

3. That the Committee on Resolutions bring in such items as may cover the expression of appreciation to the President of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Executive Board of the Church, and all of the other Boards and Agencies and officers of the Church.

4. That the Executive Committee be given the power to approve the Minutes of the last session of the Convention and have a copy of such minutes sent to each delegate following the Convention.

5. That the Executive Committee be empowered to have the books of the Synod audited and that a statement of the Auditing Committee be sent to each pastor and congregation.

6. That the Executive Committee be empowered to prepare the budget for the year 1955 and present this budget to the Conferences for study and to the 1955 Convention of Synod for final ratification.

7. That Synod approve the following Procedures for Calling Chaplains into Military Service. These Procedures were recommended by the 1953 meeting of the Conference of Synodical Presidents, and approved by the ULCA Executive Board, (Minutes April 1953, pp. 212-216) and will be presented for ratification at the 1954 Convention of the U.L.C.A.

"A. That synods should issue calls to those who serve the Church in this capacity.

"B. 1. That the original recommendation for ecclesiastical endorsement should be a joint responsibility of the synod and the Committee on Army and Navy Work of The United Lutheran Church in America, which shall make appropriate recommendations to the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel of the National Lutheran Council (and/or the Committee on Service to the Armed Forces of the Canadian Lutheran Council).

2. That re-endorsement and withdrawal of endorsement should be functions of the Committee on Army and Navy Work, which shall give due weight to the advice of the synod concerned.

"C. That the following procedures should be employed:

"1. The Bureau of Service to Military Personnel of the National Lutheran Council (and the Committee on Service to the Armed Forces of the Canadian Lutheran Council) together with the Committee on Army and Navy Work, should keep presidents of synods informed directly concerning the actual need for Lutheran chaplains, not only by general pronouncements but by personal communications.

"2. The presidents of synods, having in mind the ministry of chaplains as a need comparable to that for parish pastors, should approach those whom they consider best qualified for this service, explaining the necessary procedures.

"3. At the proper time the candidate should make his application at a military office, after consultation with the president of his synod.

"4. Upon securing the candidate's consent, the president of the synod should present his name for a call by the synod.

"5. For practical reasons the synod should delegate the calling of chaplains to its executive committee.

"6. The call should contain a provision that it shall become effective when the candidate is certified by the Committee on Army and Navy Work, and ecclesiastically endorsed and/or approved by the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel of the National Lutheran Council (or the Committee on Service to the Armed Forces of the Canadian Lutheran Council).

"7. Arrangements should be made concerning the following points:

"a. Due notification should be given to the synod by the endorsing and/or approving bureau or committee concerning the acceptance of a candidate as to 'physical fitness and general fitness.'

"b. The Committee on Army and Navy Work shall not certify to the bureau or committee for endorsement and/or approve any candidate who has not been called by a synod which has provision for such call.

"c. The Secretary of the Church shall notify the Committee on Army and Navy Work of the synods which have provision for calling of chaplains.

"8. The form of call should follow the regular model with the following changes:

"a. Add the provision concerning endorsement and acceptance by the armed forces (Section 6 above).

"b. Eliminate reference to the Contributory Pension Plan and the Family Protection Plan.

"c. Include a provision for regular quarterly reports to the president of synod, and a brief annual statistical report to the synod, through the proper agency.

"d. Contain a statement that all salary arrangements are in the authority of the military forces."

"9. Synods having no regulations concerning previous pastoral experience for such chaplains should follow same procedure in cases where the candidate is not yet ordained, except that the call should contain an extra proviso that it shall become effective only upon ordination.

"Due to the overlapping requirements between the armed forces and the Church in the matter of acceptance and ordination it should be noted that:

"a. Passing the examination as to physical and general fitness is tantamount to assurance that the armed forces will accept a man who has been ordained and ecclesiastically endorsed; and

"b. The ordination should not take place until the synod has received information that the candidate's examination as to general and physical fitness has been passed, and that the candidate has been certified for ecclesiastical endorsement.

"10. In the case of reserve chaplains, a call should be issued with the provision that it shall become effective when the candidate is called to active duty and has resigned his present work."

8. That Synod approve the following resolutions:

"BE IT RESOLVED that Article First of the Articles of Incorporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California be and the same is hereby amended to read in full as follows:

'That the name of this corporation shall be 'THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST'."

"BE IT RESOLVED that Article Fifth of the Articles of Incorporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California be and the same is hereby amended to read in full as follows:

'That the number of directors or trustees of this corporation shall be eleven, and authority is given under these Articles of Incorporation to change the number of trustees from time to time by the Constitution or any amendments thereto duly adopted by this corporation.

'That the names and residences of directors or trustees, who are appointed for the first year, and to serve until the election and qualification of such officers, are as follows:

Philip Graif, Oakland, California
C. W. Maggart, San Diego, California
J. Everding, San Francisco, California
Victor G. A. Tressler, San Jose, California
William Moller, Oakland, California'."

"BE IT RESOLVED that Article Sixth of the Articles of Incorporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California be and the same is hereby amended to read in full as follows:

'That the amount of the capital stock of said corporation is nothing, and the number of shares into which it is divided is none, of the par value of none. This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profits to the members and all property which it may acquire is irrevocably dedicated to religious, charitable, scientific or hospital purposes and upon the liquidation,

dissolution or abandonment, the owner will not inure to the benefit of any private person except a fund, foundation or corporation organized and operated for religious, hospital, scientific or charitable purposes. The authorized number and qualifications of the members of this corporation, the different classes of membership, if any; the voting rights and privileges of class of members, shall be set forth in the constitution and amendments thereto duly accepted by the corporation'."

9. That the action of the 1953 Convention calling for the establishment of an Allocations Committee be rescinded, and that the following Allocations Committee be appointed: Pastors David Robison (Chairman), George Flora, George Spindt, and Paul Wolpert.

10. Having been instructed by the 1953 Convention "to begin to make adequate financial arrangements for Dr. Beasom's future" the Executive Committee recommends:

a. That Synod pay 4% of Dr. Beasom's salary into the Contributory Pension Plan retroactive to the date when he first became full-time President of Synod; thus making Synod's total contribution 8%.

b. In event of his retirement or disability, that Synod provide the difference between $3,600 per year and the income from the combined pension plans of the church, thus making his total pension $3,600 per year.

11. The Executive Committee recommends the adoption of the following budget for the year 1954:

PROPOSED BUDGET

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California

for the Calendar Year 1954

1. APPORTIONMENT—THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA	$103,522.00	
California Synod's share of the U.L.C.A. apportionment to Synods—Minimum goal for Benevolence Giving in the United Lutheran Church $6,007,590.00		
2. HIGHER EDUCATION		
Colleges	$ 5,500.00	
Seminary	28,000.00	
Ministerial	4,000.00	
		37,500.00
3. PARISH EDUCATION		
Camping Programs		4,956.00
4. HOME MISSIONS		25,000.00
5. SOCIAL MISSIONS		
Welfare	800.00	
Home for Aged	1,200.00	
		2,000.00
6. INTER-CHURCH ACTIVITIES		
Park Churches	125.00	
Western Lutheran Magazine	50.00	
Lutheran Student Foundations	2,150.00	
		2,325.00
7. CONVENTIONS		
Synodical	4,300.00	
Printing & Mailing Minutes and Constitutions	2,800.00	
U.L.C.A. Biennial Convention	800.00	
		7,900.00
8. COMMITTEES		
Executive Committee	1,500.00	
All other Committees	2,500.00	
		4,000.00

9. PROMOTION		
Synodical publication—Golden State Lutheran	1,400.00	
Projects carried on by Committees	100.00	
		1,500.00
10. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS		
Salaries and Allowances	13,750.00	
Pension and Insurance Contributions	1,152.00	
Travel	6,500.00	
		21,402.00
11. OFFICE EXPENSE		
Secretarial and Clerical Salaries	4,800.00	
Social Security	72.00	
Rent	1,800.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies	800.00	
Telephone	750.00	
Postage and Express	500.00	
Insurance	160.00	
Comptroller—Salary Allowance	1,200.00	
		10,082.00
		$220,187.00
APPORTIONMENT TO CHURCHES		
Proposed quota giving from Churches based on estimated 19,000 Communing Members at $12.00 per member		$228,000.00

The Secretary presented the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee.

Motion prevailed that recommendations be considered seriatim.

Recommendations 1 to 9 were adopted, with the exception that Item 7 all references to Canada be bracketed.

Motion prevailed that Item 10 be made a special order of business for tomorrow morning's session.

Action on Item 11 was deferred until later in the Convention.

Tellers reported the election results:

Motion prevailed that after the next ballot for the delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention the number to be voted for be limited to twice the number to be elected.

President Beasom expressed appreciation of Synod to the Rev. Quentin P. Garman, Chairman of the Elections Committee on the fine work done.

Motion prevailed that the session be adjourned. Session was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod.

FIFTH SESSION

February 3, 1954, 9:30 A.M.

The session was opened with devotions by the Chaplain of Synod on the theme "The Trust and Continued Steadfastness."

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the previous session by approved as distributed.

Motion prevailed that the following special orders of business be considered:

1. Item Number 10 in the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee.
2. Introduction of motion in regard to the study of the administrative structure of Synod.
3. Addition of a special committee in the By-Laws.

Motion prevailed that there be a special season of prayer for Dr. Beasom.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 10 in the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee (as follows) be considered and adopted seriatim:

10. Having been instructed by the 1953 Convention "to begin to make adequate financial arrangements for Dr. Beasom's future" the Executive Committee recommends:

a. That Synod pay 4% of Dr. Beasom's salary into the Contributory Pension Plan retroactive to the date when he first became full-time President of Synod; thus making Synod's total contribution 8%.

b. In event of his retirement or disability, that Synod provide the difference between $3,600 per year and the income from the combined pension plans of the Church, thus making his total pension $3,600 per year.

Motion prevailed that the previous question be put.

Motion was made and seconded that paragraph a. be adopted. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that paragraph b. be adopted. Motion was carried.

Motion prevailed that the matter of an expression of appreciation for Dr. Beasom's services be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Motion was made and seconded that the alternate delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention be determined on the basis of the sum total number of votes they receive on all ballots. Motion was carried.

The Treasurer of Synod presented the proposed budget for the year 1954. Motion was made and seconded that the proposed budget be adopted.

Motion was made that the salary of the President of Synod be referred to the Executive Committee for restudy and report back to this Convention. Motion was seconded and carried.

Motion was made and seconded that Item 6 on Lutheran Student Foundations be referred to the Executive Committee for study and re-allocation, and report back to this Convention of Synod, with special reference to a $500 allocation to the Arizona Lutheran Student Foundation. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the request of the Seminary Board with reference to raising the amount allocated to the Seminary to $29,500 be referred to the Executive Committee for study and report back to this Convention of Synod. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the whole budget be referred back to the Executive Committee for study and re-presentation to the Synod. The motion was carried.

Motion prevailed that we instruct the Executive Committee to find the necessary funds to make possible the additional payments to the Pension Fund for Dr. Beasom in accordance with the action taken by the Convention earlier in this session.

Motion was made and seconded that a committee composed of men who are not now members of the Executive Committee of Synod be appointed by the Executive Committee to study the structure and administration of our Synod and report their findings and recommendations to the 1955 Convention.

Motion was made and seconded that the year 1956 be substituted for 1955 in the previous motion.

Motion was made and seconded for a substitute amendment—that the whole matter be postponed for one year and that this come before the 1955 Convention.

Motion prevailed to table the matter.

Motion was made and seconded to include in the By-Laws of Synod under Section IX Paragraph 8—Committee on Music and Worship—the duties of this Committee shall be to encourage the improvement of standards of Music and Worship in our congregations; to consult upon request, with Pastors and/or Directors of Music concerning congregational problems in Music or Worship; and shall plan all public services of Synod in consultation with the President of Synod. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the report of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Board be adopted.

REPORT OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Seminary has reason to thank God for His goodness to us and to take heart cheerfully as we address ourselves to the tasks ahead. We thank the pastors and people of the Synod for their loyal support and are constantly striving to be worthy of the Church's confidence.

The Seminary's second academic year is going forward encouragingly. At the beginning of the new school year 33 new students were registered. Twenty were from congregations of the California Synod; four from congregations of the Pacific Synod, and the others from beyond our territory. All students who were on the roll in 1952-53 and did not graduate in May of 1953 returned to the campus, with the exception of one student who is spending an intern year in practical service of the Church, and expects to return to his final year in the fall of 1954.

There is need for men for the ministry. The West Coast is the ripest missionary harvest field in all the land. This fall only three Juniors began their Seminary work with us, and of these three, only one is from the whole West Coast. We must encourage the Church and its pastors and people to pray that God may give His Church many faithful new harvesters and then, without relaxing our praying, we must work to put the claim of full-time Christian work before our youth, so that they may be in the listening mood when the call of God comes.

The Seminary's Board of Directors met three times during 1953. On February 23 and 24, a special session was held to plan for the construction of the first unit of a new Dormitory. Further details were worked out at the May 21 meeting of the Board. At the third meeting on September 14, the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder in the basic sum of $109,468. Work was begun imediately. It is expected that the new building, the cost of which is met largely through the moneys realized from the California Synod's Seminary Appeal, will be completed and ready for occupancy early this Spring. Congregations and pastors are collecting outstanding pledges, and there is good hope that the money on hand and yet to be realized will be adequate to pay the bills so that the structure may be dedicated free of debt. Architect in charge is Mr. Oakie C. Johnson of Oakland, California. The building is so designed that 17 single students may be housed on the first floor and ten married couples on the second floor.

The next immediately pressing property advance is the construction of a new road which will afford a new and more convenient entrance to the grounds and will provide dual access to the property. It is expected that $10,000 will be required for this work.

Five Senior students who had completed the first two years of their theological curriculum at other seminaries took their final year at Pacific and graduated as our first class on May 21, 1953. All of these have since become pastors of the California Synod: The Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim, First United Lutheran Church, San Francisco; the Rev. John R. Steinhaus, Hollywood Lutheran Church, Hollywood, the Rev. Harold P. Schluntz, Orange Mission, Orange; the Rev. Edward Andersen, Orinda Mission, Orinda; and the Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant, Faith Lutheran Church, Long Beach. It is the Faculty's conviction that every member of the class is honestly consecrated to the ministerial vocation and will prove worthy of whatever trust is committed to him.

Our student morale is excellent and has been greatly enriched through the coming of Mrs. Ralph Wagner as dietician. The Wagners are living in the Caretaker's quarters of the lower building, and Mrs. Wagner has been arranging the menus and doing the cooking for the Boarding Club. The Board and the Faculty of the Seminary are most grateful to the Wagners for their willingness to undertake this important service as a labor of love for the students and indeed the whole cause of God.

The Library continues to grow steadily. On May 21, as the first academic year closed, there were 3,322 volumes accessioned and ready for use. As 1953 ended the number had grown to nearly 5,000. A very important addition to the Library is the gift of Mr. C. Otto von Kienbusch of New York, namely the Weimar edition of LUTHER'S WORKS in 90 massive volumes costing $1300. From the Library of the old Pacific Seminary, some 200 usable books were salvaged and are now in the Seminary's collection. Many additional volumes have come as gifts of pastors and other friends and hundreds of important new works have been purchased for the Library. Mrs. Paul Chen, M.A., is our full-time professional library worker, in charge of the collection.

Including Mr. Kienbusch's gift, something more than $10,000 has been received from friends of the Seminary in eastern states, primarily to help reach the sum total needed to build the new dormitory. The Women's Auxiliary has heroically undertaken to pay for the furnishings of the new dormitory, and is building up its funds to this end.

The Seminary's Faculty consists of the same full-time quartet of professors who began with us in 1952: Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President and Librarian; New Testa-

ment Interpretation; Church Administration; Dr. E. Theodore Bachmann, Secretary of the Faculty, Church History, Missions; Dr. Harry J. Mumm, Chaplain, Biblical Studies; Dr. Gerhard E. Lenski, Guest Professor of Systematic Theology.

Part-time instructors giving one or two courses are the Rev. Paul E. Morentz, M.D., instructor in Pastoral Care and Group Therapy; the Rev. Toivo Harjunpaa, instructor in the Teachings of Jesus; and the Rev. George F. Muedeking, instructor in Christian Thought.

The Board of Directors has approved the Faculty's plans for the first summer graduate program. It is to begin on Monday, June 21, 1954. Its faculty will include Professor E. Theodore Bachmann, Professor Taito A. Kantonen of Hamma Divinity School, Professor Erick H. Wahlstrom of Augustana Seminary; Dr. Paul E. Morentz, Professor C. Umhau Wolf of Toledo, Ohio, Professor Warren Quanbeck of Luther Seminary, St. Paul. It will be possible for pastors who have their B. D. degrees to apply the limited number of credits toward the degree of Master of Theology. There will be two three-week "terms". Pastors may attend either term or both. The program concludes July 30, 1954.

Living quarters for single men will be available in the new dormitory and also for married couples. Meals will be served in the Student's Dining Room. Costs will be modest. Further information may be had by addressing Professor E. Theodore Bachmann whom the Board appointed Director of Graduate Studies for the year 1953-54.

Meanwhile graduate courses are being given each Tuesday with more than a dozen pastors of the Bay area taking the courses for credit and plans are being perfected for a similar extension program at Los Angeles.

The Seminary's Faculty has worked out plans for a new program for the training of parish workers and directors of Religious Education. This one-year course will be open to qualified college graduates, and will lead to the degree of Master of Arts in Religious Education. Desirable as this course is, the Board found itself unable to approve the undertaking until adequate financing is in sight. It is expected that at least $10,000 of additional budgetary provision will be required to finance the new program, and this annual additional sum is not now available. However, the Board authorized the Faculty to proceed experimentally with the plan, within the framework of the present budget.

At the September 14 meeting of the Board, a tentative budget was adopted for the new year. The total amount is in the sum of $52,388, and has been cut to the lowest practicable figure. Only the present program has been provided for—if the work of the school is to be expanded further, the figures would be proportionately increased in later years.

It was the hope of the Board's September meeting that toward balancing the budget a grant of $10,000 would be received from the ULCA Board of Education and that the California Synod would provide $31,450; and that the Pacific Synod's contributions and the nominal fees collected from students would supply the balance needed.

Respectfully submitted,
W. B. Scheehl
Ross F. Hidy
Howard L. Logan
Carl V. Tambert

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

OPERATING FUND

Balance January 1, 1953		$ 1,887.84
Receipts:		
Pacific Synod	$ 6,895.01	
California Synod	25,500.00	
Board of Education, U.L.C.A.	7,500.00	
Tele. & Tele	2.68	
Offerings, Public occasions	224.48	
Seminary Boarding Club fees	385.00	

Seminary Boarding Club (Laundry)	42.25	
Contingent and other fees	2,951.17	
Commencement offering	115.63	
Miscellaneous	10.00	
Income tax withheld	3,205.90	
	$46,832.12	$46,832.12
		$48,719.96

Disbursements:

Seminary Board meetings	$ 1,397.73	
Board Officers and Committee expense	136.88	
Seminary office supplies and expense	1,115.20	
Office employees' salaries	3,572.90	
Advertising and promotion	974.00	
Catalogs and bulletins	690.18	
Salaries and allowances for professors	22,023.26	
Magazines, etc.	51.34	
Travel expenses	516.60	
Public occasions, lectures, etc.	168.82	
Commencement expenses	111.78	
Fees and dues	2.50	
Pensions fund contributions	1,107.60	
Gardener, salary and supplies	2,375.90	
Building supplies and maintenance	341.42	
Utilities	2,740.97	
Wages, Student help	1,615.23	
Insurance, property damage, liability	582.59	
Assigned to Seminary Book Store	500.00	
Miscellaneous	842.13	
Income tax withheld	3,205.90	
	$44,072.93	$44,072.93
Balance, December 31, 1953		$ 4,647.03

Recapitulation

Operating Fund		$ 4,533.03
Arthur Friedrichs Special fund		114.00
Capital Funds		16,751.48
Student Loan Fund		705.00
Mission Church Chapel fund		500.00
Endowment fund (Berkeley)		125.00
		$22,728.51
Endowment fund		
Balance Jan. 1st (Vancouver)	$ 637.50	
Interest (Vancouver)	17.78	
Interest Noel Endowment	125.00	
	$ 780.29	

NOTE: $3,591.24 received from Pacific Synod after close of books but for 1953 account.

President Charles B. Foelsch spoke on developments at the Seminary. The report was adopted.

Mr. Joe Kennedy representing the distribution of the Martin Luther Film, spoke briefly to the Convention.

The session was closed with special prayers of intercession for Dr. James P. Beasom and family.

The Ministerium met briefly following the close of the session.

SIXTH SESSION

February 3, 1954—2:00 P.M.

The sixth session was opened by the Convention Chaplain with the theme "The Trust and Sacrificial Service."

The minutes of the fifth session were approved with the addition of the words "and family" at the conclusion of the last paragraph.

The Rev. Clifford Holand presented the report of the Social Missions Committee.

REPORT OF SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Social Missions Committee met five times during the year, the meetings being held in the Los Angeles area, where most of the members reside.

The Committee expresses appreciation to the pastors and laymen of Synod, The Executive Committee, and President of Synod for the increasing attention given to this important work of the Church during the past year.

The work of our Welfare organizations in the North and in the South is strengthened through the assurance of grants from the Board of Social Missions of the U.L.C.A. for 1954, for which we invite Synod to express its appreciation.

One of the members of our committee attended the School of Industrial Relations held at Muhlenberg College in June. More recently your committee sponsored the one-day conference on management and labor problems held at Angelica Church in Los Angeles, and open to the pastors and laymen of the National Lutheran Council.

The Social Missions Quarterly of the U.L.C. reports that the Presbyterian Institute of Industrial Relations offers to ministers an 18-day intensive course on the problems of an urban church in an industrial setting to be held in Los Angeles April 26 to May 13. The U.L.C. Board of Social Missions has available scholarships of $100 to cover basic costs at this institute. Your committee recommends that we take steps toward having at least one delegate present.

Your committee urges the congregations that have not yet availed themselves of the sound film strip "SHARE CHRIST TODAY" to do so as soon as possible.

A fairly good percentage of our pastors responded to the questionnaire from the Board of Social Missions on the subject of social security for pastors. All of our pastors and laymen are urged to give the subject further prayerful consideration.

Pastor Lloyd Jacobson, Director of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions of the U.L.C. is scheduled to be on our territory February 8 or 9 to meet with selected pastors or laymen to study the response of congregations to the evangelism program as promoted by the Board of Social Missions during the past three years. These results will be shared with our pastors when available.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford Holand, Chairman

Pastor Edward Mattson described work being done in the ministry of Institutions.

Pastor Fred Smith spoke on Social Service and Pastor John Stump spoke on Work in Labor-Management Relations.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Quentin P. Garman, Chairman of the Elections Committee, reported the election results.

In accordance with the action in the fourth session, the Chair ruled that the next ballot for delegates to the U.L.C.A. Convention be limited to the ten highest in clergy and the four highest in lay delegates.

Motion prevailed that the recommendation of the Ministerium receiving pastors and congregations into the membership of Synod be adopted.

The following congregations were officially received into Synod:

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Downey, California.
Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Yuma, Arizona.
Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, Concord, California.
Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Sacramento, California.
St. Stephens Evangelical Lutheran Church, Santa Cruz, California.
Shepherd of the Valley Evangelical Lutheran Church, Orinda, California.
Mt. Olivet Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lakewood, California.

The following pastors were officially welcomed into the Synod:

Edward R. Andersen
John R. Steinhaus
James M. Fincher
Harold P. Schluntz
Howard Mickel
Lewis S. G. Miller, D.D.
Richard O. Scherch
B. A. Bjarnason
James P. Bishop
J. Henry Meyer
Heinrich W. K. Falk, Ph.D.
Kenneth E. Hartzheim
Paul E. Erickson, Jr.
Richard C. Arthur
Lloyd F. Sturtevant
Douglas Toepel
Otto A. Bremer
Toivo Harjunpaa
Peter C. Schroder
Vernon Kotter
E. Gene Vosseler
Hugh Dowler

Motion prevailed that if there is no election on the next ballot, the following ballot be limited to the two receiving the highest number of votes.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, parents of Pastor Charles Smith, were introduced to the Convention.

The report of the Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged was presented.

REPORT ON THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

There has been abundant evidence during the past year that God is blessing this work of love of our Synod. It is one of the means thru which He fulfills His promise to His own, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

During the year nine new guests have been received into the Home. They are: Mrs. Mary Davidson, Mrs. Charlotte Day, Mrs. Elizabeth Doolittle, The Rev. Louis Gray, Mrs. Margaret Hahn, Mrs. Esta Kuhlenkamp, Mrs. Verna Maiser, Mrs. Rose Mauritius, and Mrs. Bertha Wiegman. During the same period of time seven names were removed from our roster: Mrs. Josie Berner, Mrs. Louise Faust, Mrs. Roszell Ferrell, Miss Anna Gerberding, Miss Anna Hirzel, Mrs. Ida Powers and Mrs. Betty Rice. Two of these, Mrs. Ferrell and Mrs. Rice were called to their eternal homes.

In 1953 we cared for one more guest than our registered capacity. Our family now consists of 33 guests, seven full-time helpers, 3 part-time helpers, and the executive director and his wife.

There appear several items in the accompanying financial statement of interest and for which we at the Home are very thankful. The $9,000 indebtedness carried into 1953 has been entirely paid. The Home is completely out of debt. Also during the year 1953 we have kept our expenditures below our income. We have at last balanced our budget. Contributing to this has been our increased income from the care of guests. One will note from the report in 1951, receipts from care of guests, $18,367; in 1952, $20,991; in 1953, $27,963. Another contributing factor was the response of the Churches to the annual food ingathering which was unusually generous.

An astonishing fact has been the response to our New Building Fund which had a small beginning in 1952. Without any other publicity than the Sunset Herald and our limited opportunities of telling in person of our need, $4,332.43 has been given to the Home during the year. The fund has now received $6,718. This does not include building fund monies held in the treasury of the Women's Fellowship. Wider and wider is growing the circle of sacrificing friends of the Home. More and more versified are the evidences of God's blessings upon this institution of mercy.

We believe the California Synod can be proud of our Home for the Aged and the service our aged people are receiving. The State Welfare Board, in renewing our annual license, highly commended the management and staff for the helpfulness and courtesy shown the guests. We quote from the Board's report: "In any institution for the aged, quality of personnel is the most important single factor contributing to the happiness and well being of persons in the home. The home seems to have a very competent nursing and household staff." We were also complimented for the medical and nursing services we give; and for the nutritional food served and the attractive appearance of it.

We are very grateful for the wonderful loyalty and services of the women of the Fellowship; and the key-women in the various congregations, but we still feel the lack of the cooperation and support of many of the pastors. Pastors, if you could hear us have to say to some of our aged guests, "We were happy to have you with us as a guest of the Home while you were ambulatory, but now since you have become feeble and can't get up and down stairs and come to the table for your meals, we cannot keep you any longer. The Board of Health won't let us keep you here with our present equipment and facilities." I say, if you pastors could hear us having to tell our aged guests that we cannot continue to keep them at a time when they need the ministering love of the Church more than ever before; or hear us having to turn away homeless folks that are turning to the Church to give them a home, you would be more willing to permit the director to come to your Church and tell your people of this work. The new wing, which is not an expensive project, is a necessity for the proper continuance of this work. We appeal to you to permit the director to appear before your congregations.

Respectfully submitted,
O. W. Ebright, Executive Director

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash on hand and in bank	$ 7,715.60	
Trust Deed Note Receivable	2,750.00	
		$ 10,465.60
Fixed Assets		
Land	30,500.00	
Building	71,743.88	
Furnishings	14,729.59	
Equipment	1,691.25	
Cottages	24,054.95	
Rest Cottage	24,023.39	
Fence	225.00	
Construction and improvements in process	4,413.20	
		171,381.26
Other Assets		
Food inventory	495.00	
Stocks and bonds	100.00	
		595.00
		$182,441.86

LIABILITIES and NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Payroll and withholding taxes		$ 392.26
Deposit Accounts		13,509.03
Designated Funds		
Buildings	$ 6,802.49	

Memorials	737.45	
Entrance deposits	500.00	
Designated receipts	130.00	
		8,169.94
Net Worth		
Balance—January 1, 1953	131,141.76	
Increase Net Worth—Rest Cottage	21,125.85	
Special Gift—Estate Amanda Doering	7,407.82	
Increase in Operations	695.20	
		160,370.63
		$182,441.86

Statement of Income and Expenses

Year ended December 31, 1953

Income		
Receipts for care	$28,095.28	
Cottage utilities	495.00	
Receipts from churches	347.00	
Appropriated receipts	2,605.78	
Miscellaneous receipts	33.30	
		$ 31,576.36
Expenses		
Accounting	600.00	
Auto expenses	432.04	
Blue Cross	209.70	
F.I.C.A.—Employer's share	175.79	
Food	6,163.46	
Insurance	626.69	
Laundry	1,235.73	
Maintenance	1,470.39	
Medical supplies	701.59	
Miscellaneous expense	304.97	
Pension expense	212.20	
Staff salaries and wages	15,354.42	
Stationery and office supplies	233.04	
Storage	102.50	
Sunset Herald	510.03	
Supplies	472.22	
Taxes and licenses	137.82	
Telephone	205.14	
Travel	112.99	
Utilities	1,620.44	
		30,881.16
Net Increase in operations		$ 695.20

Insurance Coverage

December 31, 1953

Fire Insurance and Extended Coverage:	
Furniture and Equipment	$ 15,500.00
Main Building	57,000.00
Superintendent House	3,000.00
Gate House	4,000.00
Cottage Number One	8,000.00
Cottage Number Two	6,500.00
Cottage Number Three	6,500.00
Rest Cottage including equipment and furnishings	17,500.00
	$118,000.00
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	Provisional
Comprehensive Liability:	
Automobile, P.L., P.D., B.I., $100.00 deductible, Fire and Theft	$5M, $50M & $100M
All other—P.L., P.D., B.I.	$1M & $10M, $50M & $100M

Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted.

The following recommendations were presented by Dr. O. W. Ebright:

1. Approving and accepting an itinerary to be arranged by Dr. Ebright in conjunction with the Synodical office whereby he will be able to present the work of the Home to the congregations of all of the Churches of the Synod during 1954 and 1955.
2. Approving of the Home raising in the Synod, over a two-year period, $25,000 to be used for the purpose of building an addition on the present main building.
3. Approving of the Board of the Home borrowing $50,000 that the new addition may be built this present year.

Motion was made and seconded that the recommendations be approved.

The recommendations were adopted seriatim.

Motion was made and seconded that the report as a whole be adopted.
Motion was carried.

Chaplain Carl Peterson was introduced and welcomed to the Convention.

The tellers reported the election results:

Motion was made, seconded, and carried that the Reverend Frank H. Clutz be elected Vice President of the Synod by acclamation and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the unanimous ballot.

The Secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the Convention for the Rev. Frank H. Clutz as Vice President for a two-year term.

Mr. Howard Logan presented the report of the Committee on Lutheran Student Work. He presented Pastor Oscar Ice, Executive Director of the Lutheran Student Foundation of Southern California, the Rev. Otto Bremer, Executive Director of the Lutheran Student Foundation of Northern California, and the Rev. George Spindt, connected with Lutheran Student Work in Tucson, Arizona, who briefly presented their work to the Convention.

The Rev. Titus Scholl presented the report of the tellers.

The motion prevailed that the session be extended following the presentation of the U.L.C.A. representative to 5:30 p.m.

The Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., U.L.C.A. representative spoke to the Convention on "The Work of the Boards and Auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church in America."

The Rev. Frank H. Clutz presented the report of the Faith and Life Committee.

REPORT OF THE FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE

Two meetings of the Committee were held in Los Angeles during the last year, one in May and the other in November. The following motions were passed by the Committee and brought as recommendations to the Executive Committee of Synod:

1. That a planning meeting be set up each September, including a representative of the Executive Committee, the Luther League advisors, and Synodical Luther League officers, for a total youth program for one year.

2. That the abbreviated communion service be discontinued for the opening of the Synodical convention, and if there is a tendency to shorten the service, that it be done in the area of the sermon and music portion.

3. With a view to orientating new pastors coming upon the territory of California Synod, and especially in the mission field, your Committee recommends:

a. That a representative of the California Synod hold special conferences with students graduating from the Seminary, or those planning to serve on the territory of the California Synod, with a view to acquainting them with procedures and methods in the Synodical program.

b. That the above pastors be brought to the Synodical office in Los Angeles for this orientation period, and a workshop be set up there for this purpose. This orientation would also include a visit to the book store, the Home for the Aged, and the Synodical Youth Camp.

c. That special conferences, helpful to mission pastors coming on the territory of the Synod be set up during the Seminary Week period at Berkeley.

d. That Seminars be arranged during the summer at the Board of American Missions Institute, to give pastors helpful suggestions about effective procedures which are being used on the territory of the California Synod.

4. That the Ministerial Education Committee, in conjunction with the Seminary Board, be encouraged to plan a Life Service Retreat at the Seminary for prospective ministerial candidates.

5. That the Ministerial Education Committee suggest to the Seminary Board an intensified plan of recruitment of prospective ministerial candidates. It is observed that in 56 years, only 45 individuals have gone into full-time Christian service from the California Synod.

6. That the conferences be given more responsibility with the functional organization of the Synod. For example, helping the youth program by setting aside a conference meeting, or a portion of it, for a Luther League workshop.

7. The Committee believes that Confirmation Rallies are extremely valuable and expresses the hope that they will be held in 1954.

8. The Committee suggests a resolution from the Executive Comittee to the Board of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary approving the Seminary's suggested plan for a "Seminary Week" offering the support of the California Synod and expressing the hope that the Pacific Synod will do the same.

9. That the Synod seriously study the "Grace System" of benevolent giving.

10. That Chaplain's devotional messages at the 1954 meeting of Synod be on Stewardship.

11. That a pocket card indicating the measure of a church member be printed and suggests the possibility of using the one which originated with the Commission on Evangelism of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

The Committee gave serious study to the reports of the Manifested Life of the Church and suggested that a summary of these reports be sent to each congregational Faith and Life Committee with the request that this Synodical Summary be considered in relation to what is going on in the local parish. The congregational committee will then be asked to report back what positive action they contemplate as a corrective situation before September, 1954.

Pastor Ruccius presented a statement on the devotional life of the pastor titled "Replenishment of the Spiritual Life" which was presented to Synod's Executive Committee. Dr. Dorn presented a statement on the subject of "Pastoral Visitation."

The Committee presents the following recommendations to the Synod:

1. That pastors seek to observe a time of intercessory prayer for their fellow pastors in the period between 7:30 and 8:30 AM, preferably at 8:00 AM as the hour of maximum participation.

2. That pastoral calling in the homes of the congregations be given constant emphasis in the interest of increased loyalty to the church, regularity of attendance, faithfulness at communion, and general growth in grace.

3. That life service be continuously kept before the members of the congregation, particularly setting forth the desperate need for full-time workers in the ministry, missionary fields, the diaconate and parish work.

4. That local Faith and Life committees be encouraged to give careful and continuous attention to the spiritual estate of the parish, offering such suggestions and assistance to the synodical committee as may benefit the entire synodical program.

Respectfully submited,
Frank H. Clutz, Chairman

The recommendations were adopted seriatim.

The report as a whole was adopted.

The Chair expressed the appreciation of all of the congregations of Synod for the work being done by the Faith and Life Committee.

The report on the Trailer Ministry was adopted.

REPORT OF TRAILER MINISTRY

During the past year the Trailer Ministry has served some five communities in the Sierras. Approximately 120 services were held, an average of over 2 per week. In addition, there were a total of 110 Sunday Schools conducted. Work was started in Placerville in August of 1953, and it is hoped that this mission will organize in the near future.

This ministry, which is now in its third year, has been serving isolated lumber camps in the Sierras. There is very little likelihood that this work will ever be self-supporting, as the people served are almost all migratory lumber workers.

The past year has given evidence that work here is beginning to bear some fruit, and we look to the future with renewed hope and gratitude in our hearts to the Lord who has permitted us to serve Him.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles J. Clark

The Report of the Hawaii Pastors' Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF HAWAII PASTORS' COMMITTEE

The Hawaii Pastors' Committee was formed in April, 1950. Composed of the pastors serving in the Islands and Dr. Arthur Hormann, pastor emeritus, the purpose of the committee, because of the isolated situation of Hawaii has been four-fold: a. to supply Synod with accurate information and data concerning the work in Hawaii; b. to correlate, integrate, and implement the projects of the Synod and the ULCA among the Island churches; c. to foster and develop a church-wide outlook among the existing congregations; d. to seek and develop new avenues and areas of furthering the Kingdom of God among the countless unchurched peoples of varied ethnic groups in Hawaii.

During 1953 the Committee held several meetings for the purpose of discussing their common work. For your information the following is a brief resume of some of the Committee's accomplishments during the past year.

1. A very successful 11-day Bible Camp was conducted at Kokee, Kauai, under the direction of Pastor Allport. The camp was attended by 105 campers with a staff of 21 and was very well received. With a grant of $350 from the Synod, contributions from members and local organizations, gifts of food and other supplies and the cooperation of staff volunteers, the camp was able to show a very small balance.

2. A joint reformation service was held in Honolulu at the new Lutheran Church of Honolulu in which all Lutheran groups participated.

3. Work was started in the Kailua section of windward Oahu under the direction of Pastor Franklin Swanson.

4. During the Christmas holidays, a Luther League convention and Bible Camp reunion was held in Honolulu.

5. Several church leaders and missionaries stopping over enroute to the Orient were entertained. Among those who stopped here were: Everett Mitchell, Jan Latik, Dr. Beasom.

6. During the season of Lent the Lutheran pastors participated in a series of mid-week devotions at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu.

7. Rev. Edward Spirer, Director of the Church Extension Department of the California Synod, came to Hawaii to supervise the building of the Lutheran Church of Honolulu and St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Kaimuki. He also served in the capacity of interim pastor of the Lutheran Church of Honolulu.

8. Rev. Waldemar Hintz of the Lutheran Church at Pearl Harbor, Friendship Chapel, left the Islands in October upon receipt of a call from the Board of American Missions as a mission developer in Spokane, Washington.

9. Rev. H. Paul Romeis, Assistant to the President of the California Synod, spent a month in the Islands as the interim pastor of the Lutheran Church of Honolulu. While he was here he visited the other mission fields in the Territory.

10. Rev. James M. Fincher and his wife arrived in Honolulu in December to become the Pastor of Friendship Chapel at Pearl Harbor.

11. During the year the first unit of the Isenberg Memorial Parish House was dedicated at Lihue, Kauai, to be the first of three units dedicated this year in the Territory. In October, the Lutheran Church of Honolulu was dedicated, and it is hoped that the St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Kaimuki will be dedicated before the year is over.

Thomas Allport, Chairman

Mr. T. H. Lane of the California Lutheran Hospital was introduced to the Convention and spoke briefly on the work of the California Lutheran Hospital Society.

Miss Louisa Miller, retired missionary, was introduced to the Convention.

The report of the Committee on Excuses was presented by the Rev. Glen O. Balsley.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES

The committee on Excuses has received excuses for absence from all sessions from the following pastors on the active or retired roll of Synod: Guy L. Hudson, E. Dale Click, James Fincher, Arthur Hormann, Ph.D., William F. Poat, L. A. Harshman, Norman N. Harter, Henry Scherer, H. C. Lindsay, Charles F. Oehler, D.D., Albert L. Groseclose, H. J. Weaver, D.D., George Kohls, E. A. Trabert, D.D.; and from Chaplains Donald P. Mosling, D. E. Wright, Erwin T. May, and Lawrence C. M. Vosseler; and from Layman H. Jerome Seim, Ph.D.

Excuses have been received for absence from some sessions of Synod from: Pastors John D. Foerster, William Klover, D.D., and John Simmons, and from Layman Fred Lett.

No excuses have been received from Pastors J. Emory Ackerman, Th.D., and A. J. Soldan, D.D.

The Committee respectfully recommends that the excuses received by the committee be accepted by the Synod and that in addition, all retired pastors, foreign missionaries, and chaplains on the roll of Synod and not in attendance be excused.

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee
THE REV. GLEN O. BALSLEY, Chr.
THE REV. GOODWIN T. OLSON
MR. EMIL SAUER

Motion prevailed that the report be adopted.

Motion prevailed to adjourn the session.

Session was adjourned with prayer led by the Chaplain of Synod.

Following the close of the session, the Stewardship Banquet was held in Trinity Lutheran Church.

SEVENTH SESSION

February 4, 1954—9:00 a.m.

The session was opened with a Memorial Service conducted by the Necrologist of Synod, Dr. Howard A. Anspach.

Motion prevailed that we rescind the previous action receiving the Rev. Howard Mickel into the membership of Synod.

The Minutes of the previous session were approved.

The Secretary presented the Supplementary Report No. 2 of the Executive Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT No. 2

of the

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee has met and considered the items referred to it in the morning session, and makes the following recommendations:

1. Concerning the Office of the President—"Taking note of the fact that the Office of the President of Synod will be in a transition state during the coming year, the Executive Committee requests that the motion pertaining to the salary of the President of Synod be stricken from the record of the Convention and that the Executive Committee be authorized to handle the matter at its discretion.
2. Concerning an increase of the amount allocated to the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary—"Since after consultation with Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President of The United Lutheran Church in America, Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Dr. James P. Beasom, President of the California Synod and the Budget Committee of the California Synod, the amount included in the budget had already been adjusted upward, and in view of Dr. Foelsch's statement in the earlier session today, the Executive Committee recommends that this amount remain at the present $28,000.
3. Concerning an allocation for the Lutheran Student Foundation of Arizona—Since the Executive Committee has received no official request from the Lutheran Student Foundation of Arizona for funds, and the matter of relationship with the California Synod has not been cleared as demanded by the procedures adopted by the 1953 Convention of the Synod, (p. 22 Minutes) this matter be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.
4. Concerning provision for the pension of Dr. James P. Beasom and a possible surplus—Since there is no provision for a Contingency Fund in the present budget, and since the amount involved in Dr. Beasom's Pension has not yet been determined, and since, in this transition year the Synod may be confronted with unforeseen emergencies, the Executive Committee recommends that the Convention empower the Executive Committee to act as an Allocations Committee for any surplus funds.

The recommendations were adopted seriatim.

Item 11 of the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee, the Budget, was adopted.

Motion was made that when any congregation of Synod gives more than 100% of its apportionment during the year 1954, 50% of the extra shall be transmitted to The United Lutheran Church in America as an overpayment of the apportionment.

Motion prevailed that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

Motion was made and seconded that the Supplementary Report of the Executive Committee as a whole be adopted. Motion was carried.

Dr. Mees of the American Lutheran Church was welcomed to the Convention and brought greetings from the California District of the American Lutheran Church.

Motion prevailed for a special order of business at 10:15.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Ministerium.

MEETING OF THE MINISTERIUM

February 3, 1954

The Ministerium met on February 3, 1954.

Pastor Tambert called the meeting to order.

Pastor Vosseler moved the adoption of the Examining Committee Report. Motion was seconded and carried after a report by the Rev. H. Paul Romeis concerning the Wartburg congregation in Fresno.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

Pastor Hugh Dowler, called as Synodical Missionary, to the Wartburg Lutheran Church, Fresno, California, appeared before the Examining Committee as an applicant for membership in the Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

Motion prevailed that Pastor Hugh Dowler be recommended to the Ministerium of the Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

Dr. Charles B. Foelsch reported on the discipline of a Seminary student.

It was reported that Pastor Harter and Pastor Scherer are ill at home.

It was reported that Pastor Lindsay has resigned as pastor of Grace Church, Phoenix.

Motion prevailed that we recommend to Synod that greetings be sent by Synod to the pastors who are ill.

It was suggested that all retired pastors be sent full information concerning the work of Synod.

Information was given concerning Dr. Beasom's health.

Discussion of retired pastors' and wives' welfare referred to the Committee on Social Missions.

Meeting adjourned.

PAUL H. WOLPERT,
Secretary

Motion was made and seconded that the Report of the Crusade for Youth be adopted. Motion was carried.

REPORT OF "THE CRUSADE FOR YOUTH"

Following the actions of the Richmond Convention which set 1953 as the year for "The Crusade For Youth", the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation's appeal for funds, the Crusade Committee of the Executive Committee set the time between May 10 and September 20 as the Appeal period, appointed 12 area chairmen and had printed and distributed the dime cards and the folder "Forward For Youth."

Before the Appeal period, Crusade Rallies were held in every area of Synod with the exception of Hawaii, and Pastors John Foerster and H. Paul Romeis presented the plan of precedure to pastors and laymen in each area.

When it became apparent in the fall that the response to the Appeal would not be sufficient in any way to meet the $100,000 goal in 1953 (cash received to date is $22,895.59) the Executive Committee of Synod took action approving a new approach to "The Crusade For Youth" whereby each congregation would be asked to commit itself for a definite quota with payments over a period of 10 years or less. A Committee consisting of Pastors H. P. Romeis, C. V. Tambert, J. B. Weaver, and Mr. C. Bell was appointed to prepare the necessary material and present it to the congregations.

Area Chairmen have contacted all congregations and the plan is in operation. The signed commitments are beginning to be received at the Synodical Office, indicating a definite favorable response to the new approach of "The Crusade for Youth."

The acceptance of the quota by every congregation in Synod is of the utmost importance now. As the President of Synod stated in a letter to all of you, "That which is bearing so heavily upon our hearts is a matter of the youth of our Church. Dare we fail these young people? This of all things would be a tragic mistake."

Therefore we urge upon every congregation the acceptance of its quota and the return of the signed commitment immediately, in order that the expanded program of Leadership Training so sorely needed in our Synod may be begun.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Paul Romeis

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT—CRUSADE FOR YOUTH

Cash and commitments for the Crusade for Youth total as of January 29—$57,-132.57. We are passed the half-way mark toward our goal of $100,000 and we have 62 more congregations to hear from in the matter of their commitment! A complete victory can be attained in the next few weeks, IF the remaining congregations will accept their quotas and return the signed commitments.

Cash received (Treasurer's Report, page 32 of this bulletin) $24,037.07; commitments from 25 churches—$33,095.50.

A special word of commendation is hereby given to St. John's Church, Gardena, the Rev. Robert Wheatley, pastor, as the first and only church to oversubscribe its quota, and pay the total in cash. $732.20 paid in on a quota of $600.00. Let's follow the good example.

Church	Commitment	Period
Fresno, Faith	$ 400.00	5 yrs. or less
Fresno, First	1,537.79	3 yrs.
Culver City, Grace	1,000.00	5 yrs.
Globe, St. Paul's	300.00	10 yrs.
Whittier, Salem	832.00	6 months
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	1,300.00	10 yrs. or less
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	600.00	
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's	2,350.00	5 yrs.
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	200.00	10 yrs.
Honolulu, Honolulu	680.00	10 yrs.
Sacramento, St. John's	4,240.73	5 yrs.
San Diego, First	2,031.00	10 yrs.
San Diego, Christ	1,200.00	5 yrs.
Azusa, Calvary	350.00	10 yrs.
San Bernardino, First	1,629.65	10 yrs.
Hollywood, Hollywood	1,000.00	5 yrs.
Long Beach, Lakewood	1,500.00	10 yrs.
Yuma, Faith	270.00	
Glendale, First	5,174.33	10 yrs.
Altadena, Altadena	800.00	10 yrs. or less
Richmond, Grace	3,000.00	
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	300.00	6 yrs.
Reno, Good Shepherd	800.00	8 yrs.
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	700.00	5 to 10 yrs.
Riverside, Trinity	900.00	10 yrs.
	$33,095.50	

H. PAUL ROMEIS

The report was adopted.

Motion prevailed that we legalize the officers of Synod as the Trustees of Synod.

Motion was made and seconded that we express our deep appreciation to the members of the Executive Committee for their consecrated service, their patience and perseverance and the wisdom of their decisions in past months; and that we further express to them our confidence in the work before them and pledge our prayers and cooperation.

Motion prevailed that the matter be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Rev. H. Paul Romeis presented a report on Dr. Beasom's health.

The Report of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation was presented by Pastor David Robison.

Report of The Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California

Insofar as the several objectives of the Lutheran Leadership training program of the corporation are concerned, not too much progress can be reported for the year 1953. But insofar as the goals may be achieved in terms of a Christian Camp program, no apology is needed or offered. For in this area of challenging and inspiring youth to serve the Church, the Synod has seen real growth.

At Camp Yolijwa, the "pilot" camp, for six weeks during July and August there was a total participation of 337 campers, 55 counsellors and faculty members and 24 staff members, thus involving a grand total of 416 people in the program. The junior boys camp was filled beyond its rightful capacity with 87 boys. Under the direction of the Rev. John Foerster, and with the able and dedicated assistants who worked with him, the excellent program of previous years was continued and expanded.

It was hoped that an allocation from the Crusade for Youth conducted within Synod would make possible the desirable and urgent relocation of Yolijwa on the new site at Oak Glen above Yucaipa for the 1954 season. But it appears that funds will not be available in time to develop facilities on the 26½ acre plot which has now been purchased there, and a dispensation has been given tentatively by the head Ranger, and on the condition of our making certain long deferred improvement, to return to the old property for one more season. The following schedule is offered for information for those interested in the 1954 camp:

Senior High Boys	June 28-July 5
Intermediate Boys	June 28-July 5 (simultaneously)
Junior Boys	July 5-12
Junior Boys	July 12-19 (a different program)
Junior Girls	July 19-26
Intermediate Girls	July 26-Aug. 2
Senior High Girls	August 2-9

During the past year the Board was composed of Pastors David Robison, F. W. Heinecken, Quentin P. Garman, Glen Balsley, George Spindt, Charles Smith, Mrs. Ruth Inslee, Mrs. Emmy Lou Alm, and Messrs. Albert Anspach and Robert Brammer. The president, vice president, secretary and treasurer have been Robison, Garman, Heinecken and Inslee respectively. The President of Synod is ex-officio a member of the Board. Numerous meetings were held and consideration has been given the possibility of engaging in a united camp program with other regional bodies of National Lutheran Council churches. The prospects are encouraging.

Congregations of Synod participated in camping programs in other areas of Synod and the Board is pleased to have reports from or about them.

At Mount Cross near Santa Cruz, NLC churches of the Bay Area participated in a program that represented 76 churches and provided camping for 657 campers. Nineteen churches and 124 campers from our Synod helped to make that total. The leadership training program of our church was used and well received. Pastor Foerster consulted several times with the Mt. Cross Board, of which Pastor George Flora is the President. Seven of our Synod's pastors served as deans or instructors and our churches provided a fair share of counsellors.

Pastor Paul Wolpert is a member of the Board of Directors of Camp Sierra located between Shaver and Huntington Lakes and serving the Lutheran Churches of the Fresno area. There were 84 regular campers in the eight day Junior High and High School camp, nine of whom were from First and Faith in Fresno. Pastor Foerster met with the directors of this camp and the U.L.C.A. materials were adopted for the program. Two other Synod pastors served in this camp.

The Arizona Church Conference Grounds at Prescott was the site of the NLC one week family type camp conducted by the Lutheran Pastors' Association of Airzona beginning on June 28. This was the fourth year for such a camp and with more than 200 full-time campers registered, it was the most successful. Pastor Frank Clutz served as the dean. The chairman of the Arizona Lutheran Camp Committee is Pastor Franklin H. Schott. Many features of the "Yolijwa Program" are being incorporated in the camp and Pastor Foerster is giving personal assistance in this direc-

tion. The 1954 camp will be held the third week in June at the Arizona Baptist Camp Grounds at Prescott.

Camp Yolijwa of Hawaii was held August 10-21 at Kokee on the Island of Kauai. A staff of 21 greeted 105 boy and girl campers on the opening day and provided a stimulation program using the Yolijwa courses and traditions including the tribal organization. This, of course, included a Bible centered course of leadership training, devotions and inspiration with appealing recreation and handicraft materials were supplied the camp by the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation. The success of the camp is indicated by the fact that planning there looks toward two separate camps in the near future and a longer camping period. Pastor Thomas Allport was director in 1953 and Pastor Swanson the assistant. The 1954 camp is tentatively set for August 16-27. This will be the fourth annual encampment.

It is evident to those who are familiar with this phase of Lutheran Leadership training that here is possibly our best opportunity to guide the lives of healthy, alert young people into Christian service, either full-time or in an equally needed lay capacity. Lutheran Camping provides a good time but that is not its primary motive by far. Its purpose is to inspire and instruct workers in the Kingdom of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID E. ROBISON, President

Recommendations:

It is recommended that Synod approve the following changes in the Constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation that it may be in accord with the counsel of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America:

1. Article IV, Section 2 shall read: "All members of the Board shall be elected by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California." (This is instead of the present arrangement wherein three of the twelve members are named by the Board of Directors.)

2. Article VII, Section 2 shall read: "In consultation, agreement and cooperation with the Executive Committee of Synod, it shall establish such leadership programs and training courses, as well as a camp or camps, as may be deemed necessary." (This is instead of "in cooperation" only as now stated.)

3. Article VII, Section 3 shall read: "The Board of Directors shall look to Synod to determine the number of full-time workers to be employed by the Leadership Training Corporation as well as to assent to the individuals selected." The Board shall simply recommend.

4. If and when the corporate title of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California shall be changed to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest, at once all references to the Synod in this Constitution of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation shall be changed to accord.

Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash on hand and in bank	$ 1,699.44	
Account receivable	26.18	
Inventory—Canned Food	300.00	
		$ 2,025.62
Property and Equipment		
Seven Oaks	14,342.46	
Oak Glen	19,122.41	
Library	77.77	
		33,542.64
Prepaid Insurance		200.22
		$35,768.48

LIABILITIES and NET WORTH

Loan from Special Reserve in General Funds of Synod		$ 1,731.43
Advances by the General Fund		2,649.89
Note Payable		11,941.11
Funds		
Improvement Savings	$ 378.22	
Scholarship	337.15	
Year Books	179.00	
Oak Glen Development	688.37	
		1,582.74
Net Worth		17,863.31
		$35,768.48

Statement of Income and Expenses

Year ended December 31, 1953

Income		
Campers—Camp Yolijwa	$ 8,415.50	
Churches	5.00	
Oak Glen Development Fund	400.00	
Synod of California	5,102.44	
Total Income		$13,922.94
Expenses		
Camp Yolijwa—Seven Oaks	9,257.07	
Camp Sierra	10.00	
Mt. Cross Bible Camp	10.00	
Arizona Lutheran Bible Camp	10.00	
Yolijwa of So. America	10.00	
Yolijwa of Hawaii	60.00	
General and administration	1,889.20	
Promotional	960.75	
Total Expenses		12,207.02
Net Increase		$ 1,715.92

CHANGES IN NET WORTH

Balance—January 1, 1953		$13,947.39
Add:		
Net Increase for 1953	$ 1,715.92	
Amortization of Special Reserve in General Fund of Synod	1,200.00	
Contribution from Synod to offset 1952 Deficit	1,000.00	
		3,915.92
Balance—December 31, 1953		$17,863.31

Motion was made and seconded that the Report be adopted.

The following supplementary recommendations were presented:

5. It is recommended that all camping programs deserving assistance in the form of operational expenses make application for the same to the Board of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation before October 1 of the year preceding that for which assistance is requested.

6. It is recommended that the Executive Committee of Synod and the Board of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation give further study to ways and means of establishing the office of a Synodical Director of Religious Education and Youth Work, that this office may be established at the earliest opportunity.

The recommendations were adopted seriatim.

Motion was made and seconded that the young people of Synod be encouraged to take part in the Caravaning Program as a part of Leadership Training. Motion was carried.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

The President-elect, Carl V. Tambert, was presented to the Convention and indicated his willingness to accept the Office if his congregation will grant his release.

Mrs. Carl V. Tambert was presented to the Convention and received an orchid.

The Report of the Northern Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE

The Northern Conference Convention was held at Epiphany Lutheran Church, San Leandro, California on October 5th and 6th.

A resolution was passed requesting Synod to study the Grace system of Benevolence.

It was carried that the suggestion be made to the Executive Committee of Synod to restudy the grant to the Seminary in order to meet future needs of the Seminary. It was also suggested that plans be studied to encourage more youth to attend the National Luther League Convention.

It was voted to retain the present officers for the coming year. They are as follows:

President—Rev. Milus Bonker
Vice President—Rev. Morgan Edwards
Secretary—Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr.
Treasurer—Walter Miksch

Respectfully submitted,
REV. ALBERT S. HIDY, JR.

The Report of the Hawaiian Islands Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE HAWAIIAN CONFERENCE

February 3, 1954

The Hawaiian Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Pacific Southwest met for the purpose of organization and the election of officers. They are:

President—The Rev. Thomas Allport
Vice President—The Rev. Franklin Swanson
Secretary—The Rev. James Fincher
Treasurer—The Rev. Glen Balsley

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS ALLPORT, Chairman

The Report of the Southern Conference was adopted.

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Southern Conference held a pre-Lenten retreat February 16 and 17 at Forest Home. Guest speaker was the Rev. Carl Segerhammar, pastor of Angelica Lutheran Church, Los Angeles. About 25 members of conference were in attendance and the venture was so successful that it will be repeated again in 1954.

The annual Fall meeting of conference was held at First Lutheran Church, San Bernardino, the Rev. Arthur Alm, pastor, on Monday and Tuesday, September 28 and 29, 1953. Guest speaker was the Rev. Dr. Harvey Hoover, visiting professor of practical theology at Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary who addressed the conference three times. Another special guest was Dr. Roy Crouch, Director of Survey and planning for the Los Angeles Church Federation who took part in a panel discussion on "Problems of the Mission Congregations." Dr. James P. Beasom, President of Synod, spoke at the conference banquet on Monday evening.

Following considerable discussion, conference adopted the following resolution: Resolved that conference recommend to the Executive Committee that an extensive drive be held throughout Synod for the purpose of fulfilling our Crusade for Youth objectives and that congregational goals be established to achieve these objectives. A special committee presented this resolution to the Executive Committee the day after the conference meeting.

Conference also adopted a resolution memorializing Synod that it go on the "Grace System" of benevolent giving as soon as feasible. Conference also adopted a motion requesting the Social Missions Committee to arrange a Labor-Management Conference to be held in January in the Los Angeles area.

The Southern Conference met at 5:30 p.m. February 2, 1954, in connection with the convention of Synod.

In the election of the president of the Southern Conference, the president declared the Rev. John Simmons elected president and the Rev. J. Benner Weaver elected vice president of the Southern Conference.

By voice vote, the Rev. Charles P. Smith was elected secretary, and the Rev. Arthur Alm was elected treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles P. Smith, Secretary

The Report of the Arizona Conference was adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE ARIZONA CONFERENCE

The organizing meeting of the Arizona Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest was held on Feb. 2, 1954, in Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California. Pastor Frank H. Clutz was asked to call the meeting to order. The churches of the Conference were all represented.

The officers elected were Pastor Frank H. Clutz, President and Pastor Franklin H. Schott, Secretary-Treasurer. Mrs. Ida Thomas, Mr. Gilbert Olson and Mr. Paul Thomas were asked to serve on a committee to set up the first Conference meeting.

Plans were suggested for holding a Spring Conference meeting on April 25-26 to which would be invited representatives of all the Auxiliaries and members of the Church Councils of the various congregations in order that plans might be made to promote the future work of the Church on a Conference basis.

A resolution was adopted suggesting that the officers of the other Conferences be contacted with the hope that a set of uniform rules might be drafted in order that the aims and emphasis of each Conference might follow the same pattern.

Concern over the Church serving the area of San Manuel, Arizona, a new community of the State, was voiced and steps were taken to bring this to the attention of the proper authorities.

The meeting was adjourned following prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANKLIN H. SCHOTT, Sec.-Treas.

The tellers presented a final report on the election as follows:

REPORT OF THE TELLER'S COMMITTEE

The report of the Tellers Committee for the 63rd Annual Convention is as follows:

Elected **President** of Synod on the third ballot, for a five-year term beginning July 1, 1954: The Rev. Carl V. Tambert.

Elected Secretary of Synod for a one-year term: The Rev. Paul Wolpert.

Elected Treasurer of Synod for a one-year term: Mr. Carl A. Bell.

Elected Vice President of Synod for a one-year term: The Rev. Milus Benker.

Elected Vice President of Synod for a two-year term: The Rev. Frank Clutz.

One Clergyman elected to the Executive Committee for a one-year term: The Rev. Robert Romeis.

One clergyman elected to Executive Committee for a 2-year term: The Rev. J. B. Weaver.

Two laymen elected to Executive Committee for one year terms: Mr. Leo Johnston, Mr. Albert Gercke.

Two laymen elected to Executive Committee for two-year terms: Mr. Robert Cummings, Mr. Paul Thomas.

Two clergymen elected to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for three year terms: The Rev. Charles Smith, The Rev. G. E. Steffens.

Three laymen elected to Lutheran Leadership Training Corp. for three year terms: Mr. Albert Anspach, Dr. A. G. Henrich, Mr. Wendell Larson.

One layman elected to Pacific Lutheran Seminary Board for four years: Mr. Wm. Scheehl.

Three persons elected to California Lutheran Home for the Aged Board for 3-year terms: President of Synod, Mr. F. J. Bowman, Rev. John Steinhaus.

Eight clergymen elected delegates to the ULCA Convention: The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, The Rev. Milus Bonker, The Rev. H. P. Romeis, Dr. James Beasom, The Rev. Frank Clutz, The Rev. George Spindt, The Rev. H. Paul Wolpert, The Rev. Ross Hidy.

Nine clergymen elected alternate delegates to the ULCA Convention: The Rev. Robert Romeis, J. Benner Weaver, Quentin Garman, Orval Awerkamp, J. George Dorn, John Simmons, John Stump, Dr. Charles Foelsch, Erwin Vosseler.

Nine laymen elected delegates to the ULCA Convention: Robert Cummings, Gilbert Olson, Carl Bell, William Scheehl, Paul Thomas, Robert Brammer, Albert Gercke, Howard Logan, Leo Johnston.

Nine laymen elected alternate delegates to the ULCA Convention: Eugene Hoeftmann, L. Michelsen, R. Ash, D. V. Peterson, Wendell Larson, E. Heckathorn, E. Hooper, H. G. Vogel and R. Kautz.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. TITUS SCHOLL, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on the President's Report was presented by the Rev. J. George Dorn, D.D.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Committee on the President's Report recognizes in the spirit of the report of James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., a continuing challenge to the Synod. His positive note of commitment to the Will of God is a source of inspiration to pastor and layman alike.

The entire Church acknowledges Dr. Beasom's monumental contribution to the development of the United Lutheran Church in America, particularly in the Pacific Southwest. He is a Man of God raised up at the time when courageous leadership is necessary. The present strength of this Synod is testimony to his initiative, his foresight and his Christian daring. As Dr. G. E. Ruff reflected to the Synod in 1953, his direction has spearheaded development normally achieved in half a century within a period of ten years. We all appreciate and love him best when we have known his spiritual motivation and his appreciation of the love of Christ.

The President's concern for the individual congregation and its growth is known to all of us. Since his report highlights dramatically an appeal for the institutions and services which implement the ministry of the Church, and the inadequate financial support provided by existing methods of appeal, we suggest that in the future financial support be included in the budget but that every opportunity to present the causes effectively for the education of the congregations be utilized.

In view of his vision, experience, and success in the development of new congregations, in the recruitment of new pastors, and his wide contact with the Church and his place on the Board of American Missions, we recommend that the Executive Committee seek means to use his great ability as far as his health permits.

Following the practice in a number of Synods, we further recommend that the tenure of office of the President of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Pacific Southwest be limited to two five year terms and the Committee on Constitutions be instructed to prepare the necessary amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

THE REV. J. GEORGE DORN
THE REV. HOWARD A. ANSPACH
MRS. ROGER THOMAS
THE REV. JOHN P. STUMP

Motion was made and seconded that the Report be adopted.

The recommendations were considered seriatim.

Motion prevailed that Recommendation 1 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that Recommendation 2 be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that this matter be referred to the Committee on Constitution to study and, in consultation with and approval of the Executive Committee, bring any recommendations to the 1955 Convention.

Motion was carried.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

Pastor Albert Hidy presented the Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

Get Well Cards and Letters were circulated and sent to the various men of the Synod who were ill and unable to attend the current session of Synod.

There were no letters received and placed into the hands of the members of your Committee.

A Cablegram was also sent to Pastor Falk.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. SPINDT
ALBERT S. HIDY, JR.
ALBERT B. SCHWERTZ

Motion prevailed that the Report be adopted.

The Report of the Publicity Committee was presented by the Rev. Orval Awerkamp. Motion prevailed that the Report be adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by the Rev. Carl Moyer.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The committee presents the following resolutions:

BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Synod express by a rising vote its gratitude to the Rev. Orval A. Awerkamp, the church council, the choir with its director and organist, the women of the church, and all the members of Trinity, Long Beach, for their gracious hospitality in entertaining this sixty-third convention.

2. That Synod express its thanks to the Mayor of the City of Long Beach, the press, the convention hotel, and all other community agencies which have extended their services toward a comfortable and successful convention.

3. That we express our appreciation to the chaplain of the convention, Pastor George A. Spindt, for his direction of the devotional periods, and for his helpful messages.

4. "That we express our appreciation to the representative of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D., and also to the President of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Executive Board of the Church and all other Boards and Agencies and Officers of The United Lutheran Church in America."

5. (a) That Synod express by a rising vote of thanks its appreciation to the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D., for his unflagging zeal, his boundless energy, and his sacrificial service on behalf of the California Synod during all his years as president, through whose efforts far reaching results have been accomplished for the Synod, and the whole United Lutheran Church; and

(b) That the chaplain lead synod in prayer, expressing gratitude to Almighty God for having given us this noble servant of the church, and having so guided him, and so blessed his efforts in such an abundant measure as to make this synod the strong company of Christian servants and witness-bearers it has come to be; and

(c) That the conference presidents constitute a special committee (the Southern Conference President to act as convener) to plan an appropriate public testimonial.

6. That the following be substituted for recommendation 10b, of the supplementary report of the Executive Committee, page 6 of the supplementary bulletin:

"that synod supplement his income from pensions and/or salaries, in sufficient amount to provide a total annual income of $3600."

7. That the unanimous support of and cooperation with the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, president-elect, be expressed by a rising vote of confidence.

8. That the conference presidents constitute a special committee to arrange for the installation of the president elect.

9. That the secretary send a special greeting from the convention to all ministerial students including a copy of the convention pre-print and minutes.

10. That the pastors of synod be urged to invite the campus pastors, the welfare directors, and the executive director of the Home for the Aged, to come into their churches to present their various causes.

12. That we commend to the mercy of the Heavenly Father, Pastor H. C. Lindsay, and all other pastors and workers who are ill, and that this be done during the closing devotions of this convention.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES B. FOELSCH
EDWARD MATTSON
GEORGE STEFFENS
JOHN STUMP
CARL H. MOYER

The Resolutions were considered seriatim.

Resolutions 1 to 10 were adopted.

Motion prevailed that Resolution 11 be stricken from the Report.

Resolution 12 was adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that the Report as a whole be adopted.

Motion was made and seconded that Resolution 4 be re-phrased. Motion was carried.

The Report as a whole was adopted.

THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED:

Supplementary Report of the Committee on Resolutions

1. (From the Northern Conference:)

That the Northern Conference recommend that the Synod memorialize the United Lutheran Church in America to empower its executive board, in case of an emergency in the church or its mission fields to call for an emergency outpouring of funds as an evidence of Christian love.

2. That we express our deep appreciation to the members of the executive committee for their consecrated service, their patience and perservation, and the wisdom of their decisions in past months. We furthermore express to them our confidence in the work before them and pledge our prayer and cooperation.

Motion was made and seconded that the following Memorial to The United Lutheran Church be adopted:

"Resolved that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest memorialize the United Lutheran Church through the Executive Board of the Church, asking it to give study to the matter of arranging for uniform financial aid to theological students with a view to formulating a program calling upon all synods to place the matter of student aid in the hands of the board for advice on the basis of loans or scholarships to students."

Motion was carried.

The Report of the Claims Committee was presented by Pastor Clarence Crouser.

REPORT OF THE CLAIMS COMMITTEE

The total claims covering travel expense of delegates to the Convention is $3,608.78.

Respectfully submitted,
THE REV. CLARENCE C. CROUSER, Chm.
MR. CARL A. BELL
MR. WAYNE PFUNDSTEIN

Motion prevailed that the Report be adopted.

The Rev. Ross F. Hidy moved that the Synod request the Executive Committee of Synod to cooperate with the leaders of the Synodical Luther League to encourage a worthy delegation of our youth to attend the Convention of the Luther League of America at Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1955.

The motion was carried.

The Committee on Letters and Papers presented invitations for the next Convention of the Synod from First Lutheran Church, San Bernardino, California, and St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley, California.

Motion was made and seconded that we accept the invitation to hold the next Convention at St. Michael's Church, Berkeley. Motion was carried.

Motion was made and seconded that the Executive Committee be requested to prepare, in collaboration with the Committee on Stewardship, a statement of acceptable methods for raising funds in congregations of the Synod.

Motion was carried.

The motion was made and seconded that the 63rd Annual Convention of the Synod be closed.

Motion was carried.

The officers and members of the Executive Board were installed by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert.

The Convention was officially closed by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, using the prescribed form.

PAUL H. WOLPERT,
Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

The United Lutheran Publication House is dedicated to the publishing and distribution of good religious books and literature. You are acquainted with the publications of the past, and you will surely be interested in the following books scheduled for release this spring:

"Diary of a Disciple" by William C. Berkemeyer, Muhlenberg College faculty. A devotional reading book for the 40 days of Lent, with a longer-than-usual, four or five page article, devoted to each day's reading.

"Theology of Evangelism" by T. A. Kantonen, Hamma Divinity School Faculty. Lectures concerning Christian witnessing, full of illustrations, with a New Testament application.

"The Unwilling Journey" by Helmut Gollwitzer, Lutheran Pastor who was a German army officer having spent four years in a Russian prison camp. Hailed by European reviewers as the most important German religious book of 1952, now translated for our benefit. Called "definitely outstanding!"

"Guide to Christian Living" by Otto W. Heick, Waterloo Seminary faculty. An outline of Christian Ethics from a conservative Lutheran viewpoint, taking into consideration modern attitudes and thinking.

Less than two years ago the United Lutheran Publication House began sponsoring the Lutheran Readers' Club. Books are offered periodically, particularly for laymen. Already there are 2500 members. Notice the information from time to time in the LUTHERAN, or write directly to Philadelphia for details. Pastors, inform your lay people about this.

The Lutheran Book Corner continues to be a convenient way of placing helpful religious books into the hands of the people. Simply return the order card when it comes and a consignment of books will be sent you. Unsold books may be returned. Not a profit venture, but the distributing of the Word, and books relating to the Word.

The weekly bulletin service, as described in a LUTHERAN article recently, has reached a circulation of 500,000 copies weekly. Although this is a material almost taken for granted, we can be grateful for the fine quality of the bulletins and their wide usage.

Respectfully admitted,
Carl H. Moyer,
Committee member

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the Minutes of the 63rd Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest held in Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California, February 1-4, 1954.

PAUL H. WOLPERT,
Secretary

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APPORTIONMENT TABLE AND LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

For the year beginning January 1, 1954

City	Church	Apportionment Monthly	Apportionment Year	Lutheran World Action
Alhambra,	Grace	$ 224	$ 2,688	$ 291
Alhambra,	Our Saviour's	90	1,080	117
Altadena,	Altadena	219	2,628	285
Azusa,	Calvary	87	1,044	113
Baldwin Park,	Ascension	206	2,472	268
Berkeley,	St. Michael's	303	3,636	394
Berkeley,	Shepherd-of-the-Hills	48	576	62
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	106	1,272	138
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	200	2,400	260
Central Valley,	St. James'	28	336	37
Concord,	Good Shepherd	50	600	65
Culver City,	Grace	230	2,760	299
Downey,	Christ	85	1,020	111
El Monte,	Redeemer	93	1,116	121
Fresno,	Faith	93	1,116	121
Fresno,	First	380	4,560	494
Fresno,	St. Paul's	150	1,800	195
Gardena,	St. John's	114	1,368	148
Glendale,	First	1,020	12,240	1,326
Globe,	St. Paul's	60	720	78
Hollywood,	Hollywood	370	4,440	481
Honolulu,	Honolulu	111	1,332	144
Honolulu,	Pearl Harbor	19	228	25
Honolulu,	St. Paul's	65	780	85
Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	384	4,608	499
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	540	6,480	702
La Canada,	Foothills	250	3,000	325
Las Vegas,	Reformation	57	684	74
Lihue,	Lihue	57	684	74
Long Beach,	Faith	91	1,092	118
Long Beach,	Gloria Dei	30	360	39
Long Beach,	Lakewood	302	3,624	393
Long Beach,	Trinity	623	7,476	810
Los Angeles,	Advent	227	2,724	295
Los Angeles,	Bethany	50	600	65

City Church	Apportionment Monthly	Apportionment Year	Lutheran World Action
Los Angeles, First English	750	9,000	975
Los Angeles, Peace	43	516	56
Los Angeles, St. Mark's	78	936	101
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	132	1,584	172
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	144	1,728	187
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	187	2,244	243
Norco, Bethany	56	672	73
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's	457	5,484	594
Oakland, First	212	2,544	276
Oakland, St. John's	141	1,692	183
Orinda, Shepherd of the Valley	61	732	79
Pasadena, Trinity	399	4,788	519
Phoenix, Faith	611	7,332	794
Phoenix, Grace	993	11,916	1,291
Phoenix, Mount of Olives	120	1,440	156
Pomona, Trinity	160	1,920	208
Redding, United	36	432	47
Redlands, First	128	1,536	166
Redwood City, Messiah	108	1,296	140
Reno, Good Shepherd	104	1,248	135
Riverside, Trinity	350	4,200	455
Richmond, Grace	640	7,680	832
Richmond, St. James'	120	1,440	156
Sacramento, First English	241	2,892	313
Sacramento, Our Redeemer	44	528	57
Sacramento, St. John's	970	11,640	1,261
Sacramento, St. Paul's	137	1,644	178
San Bernardino, First	329	3,948	428
San Diego, Christ	460	5,520	598
San Diego, First	321	3,852	417
San Diego, St. Peter's	154	1,848	200
San Fernando, St. Mark's	112	1,344	146
San Francisco, First United	115	1,380	150
San Francisco, St. Mark's	336	4,032	437
San Francisco, St. Matthew's	136	1,632	177
San Francisco, Temple	93	1,116	121
Sanger, St. Paul's	72	864	94
San Jose, Bethany	132	1,584	172
San Jose, Grace	225	2,700	293
San Leandro, Epiphany	280	3,360	364
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	257	3,084	334
Santa Ana, United	188	2,256	244
Santa Barbara, Grace	160	1,920	208
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	59	708	77
Santa Monica, St. Paul's	289	3,468	376
Tucson, Our Saviour's	451	5,412	586
Vallejo, St. Paul's	258	3,096	335
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	303	3,636	394
Westwood, Village	203	2,436	264
Whittier, Salem	342	4,104	445
Yuma, Faith	45	540	59
Yreka, Mt. Zion	67	804	87
	$19,771	$237,252	$25,705

Apportionment computed at $12.00 per communicant member.

L.W.A. computed at $1.30 per communicant member

Date prepared: February 12, 1954

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1953	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members 14	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members 15	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members 16	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
1	Berkeley	St. Michael's	1913	2516 Durant Avenue	Alameda	1	Ross F. Hidy	EG	473	8	..	393	13	..	303	13	..	1
2	Berkeley	Shepherd-of-Hills	1952	2750 Marin Avenue	Contra Costa	1	Toivo Harjunpaa	E	123	31	..	75	14	..	48	14	..	2
3	Central Valley	St. James	1949	Shasta Dam Blvd. & Cabello	Shasta	4	Kenneth E. Linton	E	73	17	..	48	13	..	28	..	3	3
*4	Concord	Good Shepherd	1953	3978 Clayton Road	Contra Costa	2	Wm. W. Stremel	E	112	112	..	61	61	..	50	50	..	4*
5	Fresno	Faith	1951	725 Lansing Way	Fresno	2	Goodwin T. Olson	E	265	26	..	131	11	..	93	13	..	5
6	Fresno	First	1917	630 Ferger Ave.	Fresno	2	Paul H. Wolpert	E	789	111	..	526	80	..	380	102	..	6
7	Fresno	St. Paul's	1913	2112 Lotus Ave.	Fresno	2	August S. Claus	EG	455	5	..	400	5	..	150	..	..	7
	Fresno	Wartburg	1904	Disbanded Oct. 18, 1953	Fresno						206			161	..	..	25	
8	Honolulu	Honolulu	1900	1555 Dominis St. at Punahou	Honolulu	1	Vacant	E	382	68	..	222	18	..	111	..	23	8
9	Honolulu	Pearl Harbor	1950	Buck St. & Tucker Ave.	Honolulu	1	James M. Fincher	E	139	16	..	61	1	..	19	..	15	9
10	Honolulo	St. Paul's	1950	3660 Pahoa Ave. Honolulu 16	Honolulu	1	Franklin A. Swanson	E	110	..	1	75	..	..	65	..	4	10
11	Lihue	Lihue	1882	Lihue	Kauai	4	Thomas Allport	E	200	59	..	120	33	..	57	15	..	11
12	Oakland	First	1890	1283 Holman Road	Alameda	1	Donald E. Wagner	E	396	..	31	258	..	29	212	..	21	12
13	Oakland	St. John's	1921	1820 55th Ave.	Alameda	1	Philip W. Bergstresser	E	336	30	..	191	20	..	141	13	..	13
*14	Orinda	Shepherd of Val'y	1953	294 Orchard Road	Contra Costa	4	Edward R. Andersen	E	136	136	..	78	78	..	61	61	..	14
15	Redding	United	1951	926 Gold Street	Shasta	3	Kenneth E. Linton	E	114	14	..	68	8	..	36	..	13	15
16	Redwood City	Messiah	1953	227 "D" Street	San Mateo	2	Kenneth C. Senft	E	232	28	..	145	39	..	108	36	..	16
17	Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	1947	501 California	Washoe	2	Vernon Kotter	E	263	..	51	157	..	16	104	..	48	17
18	Richmond	Grace	1924	2369 Barrett Avenue	Contra Costa	2	Milus W. Bonker	E	1318	206	..	780	102	..	640	58	..	18
19	Richmond	Peace	1950	47th & Wall	Contra Costa	2	Milus W. Bonker	E	97	..	18	52	..	10	39	..	15	19
20	Richmond	St. James	1946	1963 Carlson Blvd.	Contra Costa	2	Harry Durkee, supply	E	203	..	29	98	..	31	81	..	30	20
21	Sacramento	First English	1889	2910 39th St.	Sacramento	1	W. Morgan Edwards	E	504	7	..	364	..	5	241	..	12	21
*22	Sacramento	Our Redeemer	1953	Mission & Robertson Aves.	Sacramento	1	George E. Steffens	E	97	97	..	56	56	..	44	44	..	22*
23	Sacramento	St. John's	1867	1701 "L" St.	Sacramento	1	Robert S. Romeis	E	1734	96	..	1111	55	..	970	75	..	23
24	Sacramento	St. Paul's	1945	2958 59th St.	Sacramento	1	Charles A. Miley	E	322	33	..	164	17	..	137	23	..	24
25	San Francisco	First United	1886	6555 Geary at 30th Ave.	San Francisco	1	Kenneth E. Hartzheim	E	234	84	..	159	53	..	115	45	..	25
26	San Francisco	St. Mark's	1849	1135 O'Farrell St.	San Francisco	1	J. George Dorn	E	1'35	6	..	761	6	..	336	..	14	26
27	San Francisco	St. Matthew's	1895	3281 16th St.	San Francisco	1	Herman Lucas	EG	353	7	..	272	3	..	136	4	..	27
28	San Francisco	Temple	1917	Bay View & Latona Sts.	San Francisco	1	Douglas J. Toepel	E	219	7	..	144	..	1	93	..	7	28
29	Sanger	St. Paul's	1907	1128 "N" St.	Fresno	4	Edward J. Lamberts	EG	176	8	..	132	8	..	72	27	..	29
30	San Jose	Bethany	1951	Tulip & Winchester Roads	Santa Clara	1	George R. Flora	E	302	77	..	178	52	..	132	26	..	30
31	San Jose	Grace	1892	59 East Julian St.	Santa Clara	1	Clarence F. Crouser	E	047	69	..	393	33	..	225	24	..	31
32	San Leandro	Epiphany	1949	16248 Carolyn St.	Alameda	2	Albert S. Hidy, Jr.	E	621	132	..	361	81	..	280	60	..	32
33	San Mateo	St. Andrew's	1944	El Camino Real at 15th Ave.	San Mateo	2	J. Henry Meyer	E	515	63	..	333	33	..	257	..	23	33
*34	Santa Cruz	St. Stephen's	1953	418 Rigg St.	Santa Cruz	3	Charles Endter	E	93	93	..	64	64	..	59	59	..	34*
35	Vallejo	St. Paul's	1943	1300 Tuolumne St.	Solano	2	Glen O. Balsley	E	660	35	..	327	5	..	258	11	..	35
36	Yreka	Mt. Zion	1947	417 S. Oregon St.	Siskiyou	4	Ridhard C. Arthur	E	211	16	..	114	5	..	67	16	..	36
	1953 Totals	Congregations 36					Pastors 49		14039	1751	336	8872	967	253	6148	789	253	1953
	1952 Totals	Congregations 33					Pastors 38		12624	1020	227	8158	543	136	5612	423	116	1952
	Increase	3					11		1415	731	109	714	424	117	536	366	137	Inc.
	Decrease																	Dec.

* New Congregation (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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Index Number	MEMBERSHIP			CHILD MEMBERS										ADULT MEMBERS										EDUCATION														Index Number
				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss		Accessions					Losses					PARISH											HIGHER				
																								Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church						
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissal 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissal 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	
1	475	393	303	36	12	48	4	...	23	26	53	..	5	8	10	45	10	73	1	39	20	60	1	33	132	5	28	...	...	...	...	...	141	2	...	...	32	1
2	123	75	48	15	3	18	..	...	1	..	1	17	..	3	3	6	4	16	..	2	..	2	1	15	122	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	16	2	...	...	..	2
3	73	48	28	6	3	9	5	...	..	..	5	4	..	2	7	4	..	13	..	..	..	..	1	7	45	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	..	3
*4	112	61	50	9	42	51	..	...	..	..	..	51	..	2	5	23	31	61	..	..	..	..	1	12	85	..	18	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	1	4*
5	265	131	93	13	15	28	2	...	5	6	13	15	..	2	4	17	8	31	..	7	13	20	1	13	133	..	18	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	...	...	4	5
6	789	526	380	23	31	54	8	...	8	7	23	31	..	12	29	51	12	104	3	12	9	24	2	33	319	..	54	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	1	12	6
7	455	460	150	15	..	15	6	...	1	5	15	..	..	..	9	18	..	27	16	6	..	22	1	11	71	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	4	7
										45	45		45							161	161																	
8	382	222	111	37	14	51	..	1	..	..	1	50	..	1	..	12	25	38	..	11	9	20	1	11	54	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	..	8
9	139	61	19	8	9	17	..	...	..	2	2	15	..	..	..	6	..	6	..	5	..	5	1	11	246	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	9
10	110	75	65	12	13	25	3	...	5	18	26	..	1	4	14	6	..	24	1	6	17	24	1	8	57	..	9	1	9	92	...	...	23	...	...	...	3	10
11	200	120	57	10	19	29	..	...	..	3	3	26	..	5	25	5	1	36	1	2	..	3	2	11	135	2	35	...	...	...	2	52	42	...	...	19	2	11
12	396	258	212	8	1	9	2	...	8	1	11	..	2	4	3	6	1	14	1	15	27	43	1	10	72	..	22	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	3	12
13	336	191	141	15	..	15	3	...	2	..	5	10	..	3	10	1	8	22	..	2	..	2	1	15	100	..	21	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	2	13
*14	136	78	61	19	39	58	..	...	..	..	..	58	..	5	19	31	24	79	1	..	..	1	1	11	131	109	..	...	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	..	14*
15	114	68	36	7	3	10	4	...	..	..	4	6	..	..	6	5	..	11	..	..	3	3	1	8	62	..	9	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	1	15
16	232	145	108	17	33	50	..	...	3	4	7	43	..	4	1	26	18	49	..	7	3	10	1	14	151	..	23	...	...	...	...	...	38	...	...	...	5	16
17	263	157	104	8	12	20	..	...	6	49	55	..	35	..	..	27	..	27	..	11	32	43	1	12	92	..	4	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	2	17
18	1318	780	640	99	59	158	5	...	11	38	54	104	..	19	53	53	31	156	4	13	37	54	2	46	420	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	134	2	...	...	5	18
19	97	52	39	3	..	3	2	...	6	3	11	..	8	2	3	1	..	6	..	6	10	16	1	12	75	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	13	2	...	...	..	19
20	203	98	81	13	6	19	2	...	2	13	17	2	..	1	1	10	8	20	..	8	43	51	1	9	100	..	..	1	1	20	...	...	20	...	...	...	..	20
21	504	364	241	15	1	16	3	...	1	..	4	12	..	3	3	4	10	20	3	5	17	25	1	22	167	..	28	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	2	21
*22	97	56	44	15	26	41	..	...	..	..	..	41	..	6	18	32	..	56	..	..	..	..	1	8	41	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	1	22*
23	1734	1111	970	82	26	108	14	2	18	33	67	41	..	26	52	59	15	152	7	46	44	97	1	26	287	..	161	...	...	...	...	...	118	2	...	3	21	23
24	322	164	137	24	12	36	9	1	6	4	20	16	..	3	14	16	8	41	3	8	13	24	1	27	327	..	48	...	...	...	...	...	29	...	...	...	3	24
25	234	159	115	10	21	31	..	...	..	..	..	31	..	4	27	28	..	59	..	2	4	6	1	9	85	..	10	...	...	...	...	...	44	...	...	...	5	25
26	1135	761	336	26	7	33	4	1	8	20	33	..	..	5	17	20	22	64	8	30	20	58	1	20	115	..	50	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	1	5	26
27	353	272	136	9	2	11	..	...	..	7	7	4	..	..	5	4	..	9	4	..	2	6	1	2	50	..	22	...	...	...	...	...	58	...	...	...	4	27
28	219	144	93	12	..	12	4	...	..	..	4	8	..	3	6	..	..	9	1	4	5	10	1	13	172	..	16	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	5	28
29	176	132	72	5	..	5	4	...	1	..	5	..	..	..	5	4	4	13	..	2	3	5	1	5	32	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	2	29
30	302	178	132	25	21	46	..	...	11	10	21	25	..	9	32	18	..	59	..	7	..	7	1	20	162	..	34	...	...	...	...	...	56	...	...	1	..	30
31	647	393	225	19	23	42	2	...	4	....	6	36	..	3	15	24	8	50	5	12	..	17	1	47	168	47	53	...	...	...	...	...	42	1	...	...	20	31
32	621	361	280	36	51	87	14	...	22	....	36	51	..	8	67	22	..	97	2	8	6	16	1	22	251	3	124	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	3	32
33	515	333	257	14	22	36	4	...	2	....	6	30	..	3	12	38	3	56	2	3	18	23	1	16	190	..	30	...	...	...	...	...	41	...	...	...	18	33
34	93	64	59	4	25	29	..	...	..	....	..	29	..	2	4	59	..	65	..	1	..	1	1	8	47	..	8	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	..	34
35	660	327	258	26	20	46	4	...	5	7	16	30	..	4	20	20	3	47	1	8	33	42	1	22	243	..	41	...	...	...	...	...	74	...	...	...	1	35
36	211	114	67	5	6	11	..	...	..	....	..	11	..	3	3	13	2	21	..	3	13	16	1	8	64	..	10	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	3	36
1953	14039	8872	6148	700	577	1277	108	5	162	301	576	797	96	159	502	714	256	1631	64	291	562	917	39	577	5906	166	881	3	12	132	2	52	1258	11	...	27	169	1953
1952	12624	8158	5612	583	353	936	80	5	165	300	550	507	121	128	375	414	211	1128	70	263	388	721	36	491	4387	82	918	1	2	70	2	18	884	7	...	5	161	1952
Inc.	1415	714	536	117	224	341	28	...	....	1	26	290	....	31	127	300	45	503	....	28	174	196	3	86	619	84	....	2	10	62	....	34	374	4	....	22	8	Inc.
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Dec.

Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. Peple Number	Y. Peple Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	Amount Apportioned	56	57	58	
1	1	35	2	80	3	102	1	21	400,000	20,000	200,000	.....	37,500	675,500	124,867	18,161	21,374	39,535	1392	167	345	722	1369	3995	3,120	3,227	7,222	46,757	1
2	...	..	1	22	...	..	1	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,944	220	3,164	100	83	25	75	235	518	360	633	1,151	4,315	2
3	1	10	1	12	...	..	2	28	17,000	.....	.....	.....	2,000	19,000	14,058	1,974	686	2,660	3	8	17	6	10	44	336	266	310	2,970	3
*4	1	14	1	32	...	..	..	..	112000	.....	.....	.....	10,000	22,000	20,000	1,989	.....	1,989	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	40	.....	105	145	2,134	4*
5	...	..	1	15	...	..	1	13	.....	12,000	.....	.....	13,000	25,000	20,535	2,557	2,685	5,242	183	29	4	25	40	281	864	864	1,145	6,387	5
6	1	26	2	84	1	32	2	29	22,500	13,000	35,500	.....	1,232	72,232	10,981	13,865	10,629	24,492	2108	88	....	224	1583	4001	2,988	3,000	7,001	31,493	6
7	1	19	3	64	...	..	1	14	10,000	5,000	5,000	.....	.....	20,000	.....	5,853	1,100	9,903	25	....	....	....	50	75	1,608	724	799	7,702	7
8	...	..	1	21	1	16	2	20	191,529	19,967	.....	.....	13,813	225,309	11,000	11,368	.....	11,368	38	5	....	....	210	262	1,440	1,454	1,716	13,084	8
9	...	..	1	15	...	..	4	127	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,00	3,000	.....	2,755	.....	2,755	12	....	....	....	50	62	360	360	422	3,177	9
10	...	..	1	25	1	10	..	..	70,321	26,000	3,500	.....	2,000	101,821	52,699	2,656	2,895	5,551	337	....	10	....	86	433	745	780	1,213	6,764	10
11	...	..	1	20	...	..	2	30	50,000	15,000	25,000	.....	.....	90,000	.....	6.831	1,021	7,852	....	....	....	....	245	245	456	456	701	8,553	11
12	1	30	2	80	...	..	1	10	.....	15,000	.....	.....	46,000	61,000	.....	8,800	2,856	11,656	2406	460	70	409	593	3938	2,46	2,482	6,420	18,076	12
13	1	10	3	52	1	12	1	10	20,000	13,000	4,500	.....	3,600	41,100	8,400	6,508	228	6,736	746	78	....	175	152	1145	1,380	1,380	2,525	9,261	13
*14	...	..	1	31	1	26	1	12	23,000	.....	.....	.....	7,000	30,000	30,00	3,288	.....	3,288	....	....	....	..	70	70	.....	428	498	3,786	14
15	1	10	1	19	...	..	..	..	.....	14,500	.....	.....	7,500	22,000	17,735	2,970	869	3,839	36	73	76	7	85	217	528	425	642	4,481	15
16	...	..	1	32	1	28	2	36	.....	11,500	.....	.....	25,000	36,500	30,100	5,173	5,314	10,487	....	60	25	21	108	214	780	790	1,004	11,491	16
17	...	..	1	32	...	..	..	..	95,000	14,500	.....	.....	1,100	110,600	60,575	13,918	.....	13,918	....	59	....	....	107	166	1,632	1,085	1,251	15,169	17
18	1	30	1	75	...	..	3	75	200,000	19,000	.....	.....	.....	219,000	87,639	23,749	9,645	38,394	1732	66	35	285	1724	3842	6,252	6,252	10,094	48,488	18
19	...	..	1	18	1	20	1	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,687	.....	1,687	700	30	....	80	185	995	576	625	1,620	3,307	19
20	1	10	1	20	...	..	..	..	40,000	9,500	.....	.....	.....	49,500	33,500	3,575	.....	3,575	50	50	45	40	130	315	1,188	1,188	1,503	5,078	20
21	1	20	1	46	1	30	1	15	40,000	12,000	6,000	.....	1,289	59,289	4,019	10,683	237	10,922	1989	200	50	235	399	2879	2,724	2,724	5,603	16,525	21
*22	...	....	1	14	...	..	..	..	2,165	.....	.....	.....	126	2,291	465	812	226	1,038	....	....	....	60	18	78	.....	.....	78	1,116	22*
23	1	55	3	124	2	82	3	61	219,000	15,000	.....	500	9,528	244,028	.....	29,287	5,373	34,660	2488	996	1930	710	4224	10348	9,624	9,760	20,108	54,768	23
24	...	....	1	25	...	..	2	31	41,000	11,500	.....	.....	1,917	54,417	31,853	7,360	2,110	9,470	945	55	45	65	536	1646	1,224	1,570	3,216	12,686	24
25	1	25	2	25	...	..	2	30	92,000	11,000	.....	.....	.....	103,000	20,860	5,031	2,582	7,613	991	100	25	170	.....	1282	756	756	2,048	9,66	25
26	..	..	2	120	2	60	3	70	250,000	.....	.....	75,000	25,000	350,000	.....	20,951	1,277	22,228	1038	224	....	748	1081	3391	3,768	3,768	6,859	29,087	26
27	..	..	3	67	...	..	2	29	46,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	46,000	.....	8,953	.....	8,953	503	20	....	....	165	688	1,416	1,416	2,104	11,057	27
28	1	14	2	39	...	..	1	21	18,500	12,500	.....	.....	2,700	33,700	.....	5,847	400	5,847	489	....	....	60	175	724	1,080	1,080	1,804	7,651	28
29	...	..	2	42	...	..	..	..	6,000	3,500	.....	.....	500	10,000	.....	3,343	.....	3,343	175	....	....	....	56	231	48	214	445	3,788	29
30	1	18	1	36	...	..	2	19	34,500	12,500	.....	.....	.....	47,000	33,017	4,904	3,454	8,358	307	24	....	....	187	518	1,140	1,140	1,658	10,016	30
31	1	33	6	187	2	78	3	35	35,000	10,000	.....	.....	.....	45,000	.....	8,877	1,469	10,346	704	50	....	304	184	1242	2,166	2,166	3,402	13,748	31
32	1	57	1	66	1	94	1	62	60,000	12,000	.....	.....	.....	72,000	30,000	9,729	750	10,479	489	50	50	....	50	639	2,364	2,364	3,003	13,482	32
33	1	32	2	40	1	34	2	41	55,000	9,500	.....	.....	1,400	65,900	38,516	11,670	250	11,920	1120	....	....	280	410	1810	3,010	3,010	4,820	16,740	33
*34	...	..	1	20	...	..	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,061	157	2,218	....	56	8	84	106	254	.....	.....	254	2,472	34*
35	1	45	2	97	...	..	2	30	75,315	18,000	.....	.....	792	94,107	25,144	9,833	3,609	12,842	490	276	229	139	980	2114	2,652	2,780	4,894	17,736	35
36	...	..	2	20	1	20	..	..	15,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,000	7,800	3,196	323	3,519	80	47	22	....	41	190	552	597	787	4,306	36
1953	19	493	59	1717	20	644	50	901	2,140,830	333,217	279,500	75,500	215,997	3,047,294	713,763	287,708	81,139	368,847	21670	3294	3017	4930	15,691	48,602	60,024	59,863	108,465	477,312	1953
1952	18	456	58	1594	19	638	44	721	1,833,739	333,217	264,300	168,323	189,593	2,789,17	613,769	227,634	122,953	350,587	37070	2754	2163	5031	11,789	58,807	52,992	52,098	110,905	461,492	1952
Inc.	1	37	1	123	1	6	6	180	307,091	2,250	15,200	.....	26,404	258,122	99,994	60,074	.....	18,260	.....	540	854	....	3902	.....	7,032	7,765	.....	15,820	Inc.
Dec.	...	....	...	....	...	....	...	....	.....	.....	.....	92,823	.....	.....	.....	.....	41,814	.....	15400	....	....	101	.....	10,205	.....	.....	2,440	.....	Dec.

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37	Alhambra	Grace	1925	433 No. Atlantic Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Eldon R. Miller	E	361	..	255	276	..	127	224	..	36	37
38	Alhambra	Our Savior's	1949	2021 Carlos Street	Los Angeles	2	Walter M. Stuhr	E	178	15	..	107	9	..	90	10	..	38
39	Altadena	Altadena	1944	185 West Foothill Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Titus R. Scholl	E	452	85	..	246	35	..	219	27	..	39
40	Azuza	Calvary	1951	540 N. Azusa Avenue	Los Angeles	3	E. Paul Barnhart	E	170	6	..	104	7	..	87	14	..	40
41	Baldwin Park	Ascension	1951	3921 Baldwin Park Blvd.	Los Angeles	3	Gerald O. Peuersen	E	542	191	..	309	105	..	296	21	..	41
42	Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	1930	100 N. Doheny Drive L.A.	Los Angeles	1	Guy L. Hudson	E	288	..	158	227	..	79	106	..	24	42
43	Burbank	Luther Memorial	1946	2401 N. Brighton Street	Los Angeles	2	L. A. Failing	E	505	94	..	278	60	..	209	24	..	43
44	Culver City	Grace	1945	4427 Overland Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Wm. Herbert Blough	E	393	32	..	272	25	..	230	23	..	44
*45	Downey	Christ	1953	10530 Downey Avenue	Los Angeles	2	Neale O. Jenson	E	160	160	..	105	105	..	85	85	..	45*
46	El Monte	Redeemer	1947	11621 E. Bryant Road	Los Angeles	2	John B. Nield	E	222	15	..	122	3	..	93	22	..	46
47	Gardena	St. John's	1924	1204 W. 163rd Street	Los Angeles	3	Robert Wheatley	E	450	111	..	251	48	..	114	2	..	47
48	Glendale	First	1912	233 S. Kenwood St.	Los Angeles	1	Carl V. Tambert	E	1600	26	..	1205	10	..	1020	5	..	48
49	Globe, Ariz.	St. Paul's	1950	Cherry & 1st Ave.	Gila	5	Jack W. Glidewell	E	113	15	..	66	12	..	60	8	..	49
50	Hollywood	Hollywood	1921	1733 No. New Hampshire Ave.	Los Angeles	1	John R. Steinhaus	E	682	..	322	560	..	32	370	25	..	50
51	Huntington Park	St. Luke's	1921	2721 E. Florence Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Charles P. Smith	E	787	35	..	539	9	..	384	15	..	51
52	Inglewood	Holy Trinity	1941	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Benner Weaver	E	947	109	..	576	56	.	540	56	..	52
53	La Canada	Foothills	1948	1700 Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	3	John P. Stump	E	410	35	..	265	29	..	250	50	..	53
54	Lakewood	Lakewood	1947	5633 E. Woodlow Road	Los Angeles	1	Louis F. Mertz	E	621	195	..	340	90	..	302	70	..	54
55	Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	1948	1304 S. Bruce St.	Clark	2	William C. Arbaugh	E	106	23	..	69	14	..	57	10	..	55
56	Long Beach	Faith	1945	3040 Santa Fe Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Lloyd F. Sturtevant	E	218	..	22	92	..	10	91	9	..	56
57	Long Beach	Gloria Dei	1952	5842 E. Second Street	Los Angeles	1	B. A. Bjarnason (Sup)	E	85	..	2	50	..	3	30	..	1	57
58	Long Beach	Trinity	1907	759 Linden Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Orval A. Awerkamp	E	1282	93	..	907	60	..	623	62	..	58
59	Los Angeles	Advent	1886	1329 S. Alvarado St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Scherer	E	406	..	46	324	..	28	227	..	43	59
60	Los Angeles	Bethany	1926	7011 S. San Pedro St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Irving Kohler	E	260	..	4	181	..	4	46	..	4	60
61	Los Angeles	First English	1887	3119 West Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Albert B. Schwertz	E	1409	..	150	1122	..	77	750	..	88	61
62	Los Angeles	Peace	1952	3119 W. Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Oscar Kleinbergs	Lat.	124	28	..	96	17	..	43	..	7	62

(*) New Congregations (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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63	Los Angeles	St. Mark's	1904	1122 W. 36th Place	Los Angeles	1	Howard A. Anspach	E	116	..	15	97	..	12	78	..	15	63
64	Los Angeles	Transfiguration	1947	8515 S. Rayford Dr.	Los Angeles	1	Clifford B. Holand	E	413	38	..	201	10	..	132	4	..	64
65	Manhattan Beach	Trinity	1949	1001 Rowell Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Richard O. Scherch	E	311	44	..	212	40	..	144	34	..	65
66	Monterey Park	St. Paul's	1914	2009 S. Garfield Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Harold J. Lorimer	E	414	81	..	236	49	..	187	49	..	66
67	Norco	Bethany	1950	2675 Sierra Ave. Rt. 1, Box 80	Riverside	4	Bruno I. Ederma	E	102	35	..	69	21	..	56	9	..	67
68	North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	1931	11031 Camarillo Ave.	Los Angeles	1	John G. Simmons	E	992	30	..	537	5	..	457	50	..	68
69	Pasadena	Trinity	1903	997 E. Walnut St. Zone 4	Los Angeles	1	Carl H. Moyer	E	623	96	..	468	68	..	399	66	..	69
70	Phoenix, Ariz.	Faith	1945	801 East Camelback Road	Maricopa	1	Frank H. Clutz	E	974	87	..	634	39	..	611	47	..	70
71	Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	1914	1124 North Third St.	Maricopa	1	Vacant	E	1687	128	..	1194	254	..	993	60	..	71
72	Phoenix, Ariz.	Mt. of Olives	1952	4331 E. McDowell Road	Maricopa	1	Franklin H. Schott	E	283	104	..	170	67	..	120	60	..	72
73	Pomona	Trinity	1947	737 So. Hamilton Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	J. Wm. Bowman	E	248	62	..	167	42	..	160	31	..	73
74	Redlands	First	1901	East Olive at Myrtle	San Bernardino	3	John D. Foerster	E	293	38	..	194	22	..	128	22	..	74
75	Riverside	Trinity	1892	4144 9th St.	Riverside	2	F. W. Heinecken	E	652	39	..	450	1[illegible]	..	350	70	..	75
76	San Bernardino	First	1907	1354 G. Street	San Bernardino	2	Arthur W. Alm	E	639	16	..	340	..	4	329	20	..	76
77	San Diego	Christ	1947	4761 Cass St. Zone 9	San Diego	1	Quentin P. Garman	E	810	163	..	482	104	..	460	100	..	77
78	San Diego	First	1888	1320 Second Ave.	San Diego	1	Erwin A. Vosseler	E	815	..	101	708	5	..	321	..	24	78
79	San Diego	St. Peter's	1946	1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.	San Diego	1	Vlad P. Benko	E	393	45	..	231	29	..	154	38	..	79
80	San Fernando	St. Mark's	1949	2064 Fifth St.	Los Angeles	3	M. John Fellner	E	204	16	..	163	7	..	112	..	..	80
81	Santa Ana	United	1951	1416 S. Bristol St.	Orange	2	Raymond L. Nickel	E	341	92	..	205	52	..	188	43	..	81
82	Santa Barbara	Grace	1904	1109 Anacapa St.	Santa Barbara	2	Walter M. Ruccius	E	200	8	..	196	4	..	160	2	..	82
83	Santa Monica	St. Paul's	1926	958 Lincoln Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	William W. Klover	E	974	..	24	515	23	..	289	37	..	83
84	Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	1945	1909 E. Helen	Pima	1	George A. Spindt	E	821	59	..	557	48	..	451	47	..	84
85	Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	1950	15520 Sherman Way	Los Angeles	1	C. H. Meyer	E	681	226	..	388	127	..	303	112	..	85
86	Westwood	Village	1938	343 Sepulveda Blvd.	Los Angeles	1	A. J. Soldan	E	428	53	..	268	39	..	203	24	..	86
87	Whittier	Salem	1946	6442 S. Glengarry Ave.	Los Angeles	2	David E. Robison	E	847	123	..	483	56	..	342	39	..	87
*88	Yuma, Ariz.	Faith	1953	806 Solano Drive	Yuma	3	Stanley E. Olson	E	118	118	..	68	68	..	45	45	..	88*
	1953 Totals	Congregations 52					Pastors 72		27330	2962	1099	17922	1887	376	13619	1547	242	1953
	1952 Totals	Congregations 50					Pastors 74		25466	2228	1113	16423	1243	1030	12331	1222	546	1952
	Increase	2					2		1864	735		1499	632		1288	325		Inc.
	Decrease										14			654			304	Dec.

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				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss		Accessions					Losses				PARISH													HIGHER				
																							Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church								
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism	By Certificate	Total	Trans. by Confirm.	By Death	By Certificate	By Dismiss'l	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirm	By Certificate	By Restoration	Totll	By Death	By Certificate	By Dismiss'l	Total	Number	Staff Membrs	In Sun. School	In Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	Leaders	Pupils	Number of Catechumens	In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutherna Motherhouses	In Other Luth Insts.	In Non-Luth. Institutions	
				1	2	A	3	4	5	6	B			7	8	9	10	C	11	12	13	D	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
37	361	276	224	5	17	25	....	..	7	146	153	..	128	2	9	19	..	30	6	21	129	157	1	16	130	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	11	1	....	1	3	37
38	178	107	90	4	8	12	5	....	1	....	6	6	....	2	8	11	6	27	3	9	6	18	1	20	160	....	....	1	....	12	....	....	25	....	....	....	3	38
39	452	246	219	26	41	67	6	....	....	11	17	50	....	5	27	30	5	67	1	2	29	32	1	17	300	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	42	1	....	....	3	39
40	170	104	87	5	15	20	4	....	3	14	21	..	1	....	6	20	5	31	..	2	22	24	1	13	69	....	21	1	....	3	....	....	32	....	....	....	....	40
41	542	309	206	46	62	108	10	....	5	7	22	86	....	12	28	62	22	124	2	4	13	19	1	21	173	....	....	1	1	12	....	....	68	....	....	....	5	41
42	288	227	106	16	3	19	2	....	....	96	98	..	79	....	3	7	13	23	1	5	96	102	1	10	71	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	....	7	42
43	505	278	200	33	21	54	18	....	2	....	20	34	....	4	18	41	6	69	3	2	4	9	1	32	250	....	52	1	1	22	....	....	30	....	....	....	1	43
44	393	272	230	10	9	19	8	....	4	....	12	7	....	4	18	30	..	52	..	20	7	27	1	20	200	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	22	....	1	....	6	44
*45	160	105	85	16	39	55	....	....	....	....	....	55	....	....	15	43	47	105	..	..	..	..	1	12	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	....	45*
46	222	122	93	12	3	15	3	....	....	....	3	12	....	2	7	11	2	22	..	..	19	19	1	12	125	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	13	....	....	....	2	46
47	450	251	114	24	42	66	2	....	....	1	3	63	....	1	31	41	1	74	..	3	23	26	1	29	285	....	48	....	....	....	....	....	41	....	....	1	2	47
48	1600	1205	1020	47	37	84	11	....	17	40	68	16	....	10	37	42	..	151	16	56	69	141	1	45	480	....	112	....	....	....	....	....	180	1	....	3	23	48
49	113	66	60	5	7	12	....	....	2	7	9	3	....	1	16	1	62	18	..	2	4	6	1	12	81	....	8	....	....	....	....	....	26	....	....	....	2	49
50	682	560	370	31	7	38	17	....	14	297	328	..	290	1	17	30	8	57	8	44	37	89	1	24	150	20	40	1	1	25	....	....	24	....	....	....	10	50
51	787	539	384	40	6	46	6	....	14	....	20	26	....	10	16	33	4	63	4	36	14	54	1	28	224	12	48	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	....	....	23	51
52	947	576	540	51	33	84	11	1	4	15	31	53	....	17	28	17	30	92	3	14	19	36	1	35	394	....	85	....	....	....	....	....	97	1	....	....	17	52
53	410	265	250	25	14	39	4	....	....	29	33	6	....	1	20	31	24	76	1	6	40	47	1	19	225	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	44	....	....	....	4	53
54	621	340	302	57	75	132	8	1	16	2	27	105	....	8	18	97	3	126	..	20	16	36	1	29	422	2	80	1	....	30	....	....	46	....	....	....	6	54
55	106	69	57	8	8	16	....	....	6	1	7	9	....	1	1	17	9	28	..	11	3	14	1	9	55	....	11	....	....	....	....	....	13	....	....	....	....	55
56	213	92	91	5	7	12	3	1	6	14	24	..	12	2	6	11	3	22	..	6	26	32	1	15	147	....	40	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	2	56
57	85	50	30	6	4	10	....	....	4	5	9	1	....	4	2	6	..	19	..	9	13	22	1	7	54	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	13	....	....	....	....	57
58	1282	907	623	43	28	71	12	....	12	14	38	33	....	3	45	50	23	121	12	27	22	61	1	35	350	....	75	....	....	....	....	....	48	1	....	1	6	58
59	406	324	227	18	6	24	4	....	8	30	42	..	18	7	4	13	23	47	6	28	41	75	1	24	141	....	31	....	....	....	....	....	76	....	....	1	7	59
60	260	181	46	3	3	6	3	....	2	1	6	..	....	....	3	2	1	6	3	2	5	10	1	3	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	2	60
61	1499	1122	750	46	10	56	5	....	14	110	129	..	73	5	76	53	..	134	11	85	115	211	1	20	148	....	55	1	8	128	....	....	81	1	....	1	14	61
62	124	96	43	1	10	11	....	....	....	....	....	..	11	....	....	....	22	22	2	....	3	5	1	3	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	4	62

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63	116	97	78	1	..	1	..	..	4	..	4	....	3	1	2	2	1	6	2	11	5	18
64	413	201	132	33	20	53	5	..	3	17	25	28	..	2	6	31	..	39	..	5	24	29
65	311	212	144	3	17	20	2	..	3	11	16	4	..	..	13	27	16	56	3	4	9	16
66	414	236	187	33	19	52	12	..	8	..	20	32	..	9	20	34	2	65	1	15	..	16
67	102	69	56	9	8	17	2	..	1	..	3	14	..	..	6	2	14	22	..	1	..	1
68	992	537	457	24	23	47	7	..	8	7	22	25	..	6	26	40	21	93	6	19	63	88
69	623	468	399	16	29	45	8	1	8	..	17	28	..	5	10	61	17	93	2	14	9	25
70	974	646	611	36	57	93	12	...	20	13	45	48	..	7	29	81	10	127	..	43	45	88
71	1687	1194	993	44	34	78	18	4	18	164	204	..	126	7	36	89	196	328	9	65	..	74
72	283	170	120	14	38	52	10	1	1	3	15	37	..	2	18	49	3	72	2	1	2	5
73	248	167	160	14	23	37	4	...	3	..	7	30	..	3	12	31	5	51	2	12	5	19
74	293	194	128	3	15	18	..	...	2	..	2	16	..	2	4	24	..	30	1	2	5	8
75	652	450	350	13	32	45	12	1	..	5	18	27	..	3	21	53	7	84	4	21	47	72
76	639	340	329	34	14	48	11	..	5	18	34	14	..	4	30	37	3	74	2	9	67	78
77	810	482	460	65	45	110	12	..	19	20	51	59	..	19	67	52	..	138	..	25	9	34
78	815	708	321	27	..	27	4	..	10	119	133	..	106	3	19	30	..	52	3	39	5	47
79	393	231	154	21	45	66	..	..	12	38	50	16	..	2	23	33	1	59	..	6	24	30
80	294	163	112	10	4	14	2	..	3	....	5	9	..	4	5	7	1	17	..	4	6	10
81	341	205	188	13	34	47	5	..	2	....	7	40	..	4	16	37	5	62	1	5	4	10
82	290	196	160	9	4	13	4	..	2	3	9	4	..	..	5	8	2	15	3	5	3	11
83	974	515	289	25	21	46	12	..	11	70	93	..	47	13	22	70	6	111	4	33	51	88
84	821	557	451	23	44	67	10	..	12	34	56	11	..	1	16	67	11	95	..	37	10	47
85	681	388	303	44	74	118	13	..	2	4	19	99	..	10	38	86	..	134	1	3	3	7
86	428	268	203	33	24	57	14	..	16	13	43	14	..	3	14	15	28	60	1	12	8	21
87	847	483	342	45	57	102	9	..	26	..	35	67	..	5	26	73	4	108	1	46	5	52
*88	118	68	45	13	37	50	..	..	..	..	..	50	..	9	13	14	32	68	..	..	....	..
1953	27330	17922	13619	1191	1233	2424	330	10	340	1379	2059	1237	894	226	963	1772	704	3665	130	852	1184	2166
1952	25466	16423	12331	1143	998	2141	229	6	398	606	1239	1145	243	214	782	1546	409	2951	136	869	1733	2738
Inc.	1864	1499	1288	48	235	283	101	4	....	773	820	92	651	12	181	226	295	714	....	....	....	....
Dec.	....	....	....	....	....	.....	....	...	58	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	6	17	549	572

EDUCATION

Index Number	PARISH — Sunday Schools: Number 17	Staff Members 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Cradle Roll 21	Weekday Schools: Number 22	Teachers 23	Pupils 24	Children of Church: Leaders 25	Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	HIGHER: In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
63	1	8	74	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	2	63
64	1	18	275	....	45	....	....	....	....	....	8	....	....	....	1	64
65	1	12	196	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	....	2	65
66	1	20	276	....	43	....	....	....	....	....	29	....	....	1	4	66
67	1	9	50	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	9	....	....	....	3	67
68	1	16	267	....	49	....	....	....	....	....	74	1	....	....	10	68
69	1	24	206	....	27	....	....	....	....	....	30	2	....	1	10	69
70	1	63	410	12	45	....	....	....	....	....	113	....	....	2	15	70
71	1	55	415	....	127	....	....	....	....	....	73	1	....	....	50	71
72	1	20	160	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	....	....	....	....	72
73	1	21	150	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	24	....	....	....	3	73
74	1	11	95	4	9	....	....	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	1	74
75	1	27	210	36	36	....	....	....	....	....	80	....	....	....	10	75
76	1	18	150	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	55	1	....	1	5	76
77	2	60	627	....	48	....	....	....	....	....	95	1	....	1	4	77
78	1	22	135	16	40	....	....	....	....	....	30	....	....	1	4	78
79	1	16	190	....	30	....	....	....	....	....	36	....	....	....	2	79
80	1	15	123	....	18	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	....	....	1	30
81	1	17	170	....	27	....	....	....	....	....	21	....	....	....	13	81
82	1	11	59	....	20	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	....	....	5	82
83	1	30	280	....	95	....	....	....	....	....	47	1	....	....	24	83
84	1	43	321	8	41	....	....	....	....	....	81	2	....	....	20	84
85	1	28	322	....	58	....	....	....	....	....	63	....	....	....	5	58
86	1	20	190	....	46	....	....	....	2	24	17	....	....	....	....	86
87	1	64	465	....	120	....	....	....	....	....	76	....	....	....	7	87
*88	1	8	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	31	....	....	....	....	88*
1953	53	1166	10607	115	1710	7	11	232	2	24	2100	15	1	15	353	1953
1952	50	1047	10105	88	1743	7	28	289	18	141	1640	18	....	18	324	1952
Inc.	3	119	502	27	....	....	....	....	....	....	460	....	1	....	29	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	.....	....	33	....	17	57	16	117	....	3	....	3	....	Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																			Index Number
	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y.People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			COMGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE									
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTION'D			
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
37	1	36	2	48	..	..	1	18	87,000	15,000	55,000	.....	.....	157,000	33,385	12,440	833	13,273	244	.....	.....	260	549	1053	2796	2564	3617	16890	37
38	1	16	1	55	..	..	1	16	.....	.....	25,000	.....	2,500	27,500	12,150	4,690	2,188	6,878	595	45	40	100	258	1138	864	864	2002	8880	38
39	1	20	1	30	1	30	2	30	49,000	12,500	.....	.....	.....	61,500	17,318	9,597	3,886	13,483	1055	31	153	90	1791	3120	2064	2064	5184	18667	39
40	..	..	1	35	..	..	2	22	20,000	10,000	.....	.....	1,330	31,330	23,940	4,452	5,092	9,544	2.3	.....	.....	....	60	263	78[illegible]	780	1043	10[illegible]87	40
41	1	32	1	58	1	28	2	46	35,000	12,000	.....	.....	14,000	61,000	54,150	8,478	7,290	15,768	991	58	15	30	412	1506	1992	1992	3498	19206	41
42	..	..	1	28	1	16	1	32	110,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	110,000	13,442	7,412	2,169	9,581	170	290	220	....	86	796	1392	647	1413	10994	42
43	1	28	2	57	2	50	1	23	30,000	14,000	.....	.....	10,000	54,000	20,500	8,688	1,900	10,588	957	160	50	125	55	1347	1896	1896	3243	13831	43
44	1	20	2	40	1	18	3	40	140,000	18,000	20,000	.....	.....	178,000	91,000	23,927	24,281	42,218	1050	.....	.....	....	125	1175	2220	2244	3419	51637	44
*45	..	..	1	30	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	814	159	973	....	....	9	15	35	59	.....	244	303	1276	45*
46	..	..	1	16	..	..	2	34	2,500	9,500	.....	.....	4,000	16,000	6,218	2,994	1,003	4,027	....	21	93	119	70	303	756	756	1059	5086	46
47	1	36	2	40	..	..	2	38	15,000	.....	10,000	.....	.....	25,000	.....	8,676	.....	8,676	730	105	60	50	154	1099	1200	1204	2303	10979	47
48	1	65	1	190	3	130	3	65	30,000	11,800	10,000	.....	100,000	151,800	.....	32,847	73,029	105,876	4091	1272	520	1190	3957	11030	10908	10993	22023	127899	48
49	..	..	1	18	..	..	1	22	35,000	.....	.....	.....	2,000	37,000	19,200	3,312	1,939	5,251	195	....	....	....	40	235	564	677	912	6163	49
50	1	20	3	83	2	40	1	20	65,000	25,000	10,000	.....	30,000	130,000	.....	19,210	5,552	24,762	1428	671	77	477	1374	4027	3708	3945	7972	32734	50
51	1	28	1	55	1	28	2	27	103,289	.....	.....	.....	1,092	104,381	8,035	12,492	8,685	21,177	1845	313	....	180	734	3072	3972	3972	7044	28221	51
52	1	20	2	40	3	108	6	128	133,651	19,166	.....	.....	.....	152,817	48,244	20,003	40,424	60,427	3400	.....	.....	250	600	4250	5208	5208	9458	69885	52
53	1	35	1	55	1	70	2	48	40,000	12,300	20,000	.....	.....	72,300	37,336	12,001	10,729	22,730	252	.....	.....	370	128	750	2148	2148	2898	25628	53
54	1	30	1	35	..	..	1	15	35,000	12,000	.....	.....	7,500	54,500	27,500	7,563	1,992	9,555	216	177	107	305	310	1115	2496	2496	3611	13166	54
55	..	..	1	16	..	..	..	..	.....	15,000	.....	.....	43,190	58,190	15,000	3,074	.....	3,074	214	.....	.....	22	226	462	504	586	1048	4122	55
56	1	10	2	21	1	30	..	..	10,500	6,950	.....	.....	2,340	19,790	8,950	4,578	438	5,016	50	.....	.....	....	89	139	876	964	1103	6119	56
57	..	..	1	25	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,300	12,300	9,500	1,655	830	2,485	40	.....	30	....	.....	70	336	168	238	2723	57
58	1	50	1	167	..	..	1	37	252,200	.....	.....	.....	37,418	289,618	7,500	23,658	5,828	29,486	2922	928	966	4108	8821	17745	6036	6036	23781	53267	58
59	1	21	2	48	4	107	1	12	50,000	15,000	.....	.....	253	65,253	.....	13,044	3,736	16,780	1912	231	229	1252	746	4370	2904	2904	7274	24054	59
60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	35,000	5,000	3,580	.....	3,580	....	.....	.....	....	142	142	540	3[illegible]0	532	4112	60
61	1	40	3	125	1	28	3	65	100,000	38,000	40,000	.....	40,000	218,000	17,000	61,593	31,138	92,731	913	6908	112	1100	2085	11118	9012	9012	20130	112861	61
62	..	..	1	10	..	..	1	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	115	115	.....	938	.....	938	....	....	....	....	219	219	540	441	660	1598	62

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y.People Number	Y.People Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
63	1	10	3	35	...	...	...	...	27,000	14,000	...	...	...	41,000	11,700	9,990	1,007	10,997	434	108	141	246	675	1604	996	1048	2652	13,649	63
64	1	18	1	50	...	...	2	42	15,000	15,000	20,000	...	28,000	78,000	34,751	7,048	7,171	14,219	114	14	...	30	270	428	1380	1380	1808	16,027	64
65	..	..	1	30	1	40	...	...	32,900	...	...	...	10,182	43,082	35,719	5,883	3,314	9,197	...	...	...	...	51	51	1188	1188	1239	10,436	65
66	..	..	2	60	1	22	1	35	65,000	12,500	...	...	3,000	80,500	25,452	10,270	748	11,018	1765	436	134	105	274	2714	1668	1755	4469	15,487	66
67	1	7	2	35	...	...	1	14	...	...	...	...	4,500	4,500	2,960	2,622	1,885	4,507	115	12	...	...	164	291	504	504	795	5,302	67
68	1	68	2	67	1	24	2	63	72,000	16,500	...	...	...	88,500	4,417	30,695	1,152	31,847	2095	233	140	189	598	3255	4380	4380	7635	39,482	68
69	..	..	2	90	2	60	2	25	82,581	21,715	2,500	...	35,029	141,825	...	18,325	1,995	20,320	3359	782	215	567	1301	6164	3576	4296	10460	30,780	69
70	1	65	2	104	3	56	3	95	125,000	11,000	...	...	...	136,000	19,000	18,034	9,423	27,457	2825	44	524	75	1166	4534	6060	6060	10594	38,051	70
71	1	82	1	120	1	105	1	45	180,000	20,000	60,000	5,000	10,000	275,000	41,800	27,721	40,594	68,315	200	472	25	524	1916	3137	10032	10032	13169	81,484	71
72	..	..	...	...	1	35	2	25	...	15,500	...	...	17,000	32,500	27,850	3,258	3,425	6,683	25	...	18	...	74	117	648	648	765	7,448	72
73	..	..	2	35	1	26	1	15	44,000	10,000	11,000	...	...	65,000	19,076	6,651	2,076	8,727	...	...	...	...	540	540	1392	1410	1950	10,677	73
74	1	32	2	40	...	...	1	16	15,000	13,000	...	...	...	28,000	1,040	5,613	1,913	7,526	122	105	15	207	1063	1512	1140	1254	2766	10,292	74
75	1	70	2	100	2	80	3	60	20,000	12,000	10,000	...	10,000	52,000	...	14,292	...	14,292	1800	300	100	1000	510	3710	3012	3012	6722	21,014	75
76	1	50	2	65	1	50	3	75	115,000	10,000	...	...	...	125,000	43,066	9,857	16,190	26,047	661	5	...	425	706	1797	3324	3330	5127	31,174	76
77	1	50	1	75	1	45	6	250	50,000	30,000	35,000	...	23,000	138,000	41,903	15,002	26,617	41,619	3080	135	200	1340	885	5640	3876	3926	9566	51,185	77
78	1	21	2	87	1	35	1	25	60,000	15,000	65,000	...	...	140,000	28,000	17,091	7,683	24,771	664	1392	20	840	137	3063	3708	3748	6811	31,582	78
79	1	24	1	30	1	20	1	15	29,000	12,000	30,000	...	8,000	79,000	52,000	7,260	14,550	21,810	20	112	44	65	180	421	1248	1248	1669	23,479	79
80	..	..	2	30	1	26	1	12	...	12,500	13,000	...	...	25,500	12,000	3,357	2,000	5,357	10	5	5	10	...	30	1200	871	901	6,258	80
81	1	19	2	35	2	32	2	18	67,000	...	...	...	1,069	68,069	55,000	5,282	8,933	14,215	...	63	15	31	310	419	1560	1560	1979	16,194	81
82	1	18	1	45	...	...	1	11	35,000	5,000	...	...	...	40,000	200	8,319	220	8,539	453	45	30	222	1129	1879	1704	1784	3663	12,202	82
83	1	20	2	97	1	50	2	35	77,000	22,000	48,000	...	7,500	154,500	36,420	19,991	3,800	23,791	788	...	...	...	2784	3572	2712	2980	6552	30,343	83
84	1	40	3	125	2	36	4	110	75,536	8,000	31,500	...	6,566	121,602	42,000	10,435	11,215	21,650	1294	142	18	275	2376	4105	4344	4444	8549	30,199	84
85	1	50	1	40	1	30	3	51	57,000	...	...	...	8,800	65,800	36,500	10,116	10,394	20,510	1406	25	...	710	861	3002	2052	2052	5054	25,564	85
86	..	..	1	45	1	50	...	...	160,000	...	...	...	...	160,000	11,800	12,672	13,354	26,027	...	...	182	...	10	192	1920	933	1125	27,152	86
87	1	25	2	68	1	46	3	115	38,000	13,000	14,000	...	3,700	68,700	9,800	13,024	7,035	20,059	3323	43	...	198	1003	4567	3252	3276	7843	27,902	87
*88	..	..	1	24	...	...	...	...	...	16,000	...	...	5,500	21,500	12,272	1,699	2,988	4,687	...	...	...	7	91	98	...	397	495	5,182	88*
1953	35	1176	79	2857	48	1531	85	1905	2,820,157	550,931	530,000	5,000	489,884	4,395,972	1080094	606,224	432,840	1039,064	48126	15683	4507	17059	42,040	127,415	132,588	32,711	260,126	1,289,190	1953
1952	39	1104	77	2809	46	1445	67	1518	2,519,708	492,266	337,145	31,432	323,729	3,704,280	892,409	520,903	317,508	838,411	68154	12331	5850	10297	26,770	123,402	116,652	114,218	237,620	1,076,031	1952
Inc.	...	72	2	48	2	106	18	387	300,449	58,665	192,855	...	166,155	691,692	187,685	85,321	115,322	200,643	...	3352	...	6762	15,270	4,013	15,936	18,493	22,506	223,159	Inc.
Dec.	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26,432	...	...	...	...	...	...	20028	...	1343	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Dec.

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Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION					COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1951	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members 14	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members 15	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members 16	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
				Geographical Loc. of Church Bldg.					Total		Pastors											
				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)														
	North. Conference	Congregations, 36		17	12	2	5	..	36		49		14,039	1,751	336	8,872	967	253	6,148	789	253	
	South. Conference	Congregations, 52		24	20	7	..	1	52		72		27,330	2,963	1099	17,922	1,875	376	13,619	1547	242	
	1953 Totals.....	Congregations, 88		41	32	9	5	..	88		121		41,369	4,714	1435	26,794	2,842	629	19,767	2,336	495	1953
	1952 Totals.....	Congregations, 83		44	26	8	4	1	83		...		38,090	3,248	1340	24,581	1,786	1166	17,943	1,645	662	1952
	Increase.....	Congregations, 5		.....	6	1	.....	1	5		9		3,279	1,466	95	2,213	1,056	.....	1,824	691	.....	Inc.
	Decrease	.....		3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....		.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	537	.....	.....	167	Dec.

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Index Number	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Child Members: Accessions: By Baptism 1	By Certificate 2	Total A	Losses: Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	By Dismissl 6	Total B	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Net Loss	Adult Members: Accessions: By Baptism 7	By Confirm. 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	Losses: By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismissl 13	Total D
No.	14,039	8,872	6148	700	577	1277	108	5	162	301	576	797	96	159	502	714	256	1631	64	291	562	917
So.	27,330	17,922	13619	1191	1233	2424	330	10	340	1379	2059	1237	894	226	963	1772	704	3665	130	852	1184	2166
1953	41,369	26,806	19767	1891	1810	3701	438	15	502	1680	2635	2034	980	385	1465	2486	960	5296	194	1143	1246	3083
1952	38,090	24,581	17943	1716	1348	3064	309	11	563	909	1789	1639	364	342	1157	1960	620	4079	206	1132	2121	3459
Inc.	3,279	2,213	1824	175	462	637	129	4	....	774	846	395	616	43	308	526	340	1217	....	11	....	....
Dec.	......	......	....	....	....	....	....	....	61	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	....	375	376

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No.	39	577	5006	166	881	3	10	132	2	52	1258	11	....	27	169	No.
So.	53	1166	10607	115	1710	7	11	232	2	24	2100	15	1	15	353	So.
1953	92	1743	15613	281	2591	10	21	264	4	76	3358	26	1	42	522	1953
1952	86	1538	14492	170	2661	8	30	359	20	159	2524	25	..	23	485	1952
Inc.	6	205	1121	111	....	2	....	5	....	....	834	1	1	19	37	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	...	70	....	9	....	16	83	....	....	....	....	....	Dec.

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Index Number	Group Organizations: Men's: Number 32	Members 33	Womn's: Number 34	Members 35	Mixed: Number 36	Members 37	Y. People: Number 38	Members 39	Financial: Valuation of Church Property: Church Building 40	Parsonage 41	School and/or Parish House 42	Endowment 43	Other Property 44	Total Valuation 45	Indebtedness 46
No.	19	493	59	1717	20	644	50	901	2,140,830	335,467	279,500	75,500	215,997	3,047,294	713,763
So.	35	1176	79	2857	48	1551	85	1905	2,820,157	550,931	530,000	5,000	489,884	4,395,972	1080094
1953	54	1669	138	4574	68	2195	135	2806	4,960,987	886,398	809,500	80,500	705,881	7,453,266	1793857
1952	57	1560	135	4403	65	2083	111	2239	4,353,447	825,483	601,445	199,755	513,322	6,443,452	1506178
Inc.	...	109	3	171	3	112	24	567	607,540	60,915	208,055	....	192,559	949,814	278,679
Dec.	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	119,255	....	....	....

Index Number	Congregational Expenses: Current 47	Unusual 48	Total 49	Congregational Benevolence: Unapportioned: Education 50	Foreign Missions 51	American Missions 52	Social Missions 53	Other Benevolence 54	Total 55	Apportioned: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid 56	Total Benevolence 57	Total Expenditures 58	Index Number
No.	287,708	81,139	368,847	21670	3294	3017	4930	15,691	48,602	60,024	59,863	108,465	477,312	No.
So.	606,224	432,840	1,017,411	48126	15683	4507	17059	42,040	127,415	132,588	132,711	260,126	1,299,190	So.
1953	893,932	513,979	1,039,064	69796	18977	7524	21989	57,731	176,017	192,612	192,574	368,591	1,776,502	1953
1952	748,537	440,461	1,188,998	105224	15085	8013	15328	38,559	182,209	169,044	166,316	348,525	1,537,523	1952
Inc.	143,395	73,518	218,913	.....	3892	....	.....	19172	....	22,968	26,258	20,066	238,979	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	35428	....	489	6661	....	6,192	....	....	....	....	Dec.

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Ackerman, J. Emory, Th.D.	1944	1944	—	Fremont, Nebraska	Midland College		
Allport, Thomas A.	1944	1950	H	P.O. Box 227, Lihue, Kauai, T.H.	Lihue Lutheran	J. M. Basconcillo	P.O. Box 485, Lihue, Kauai, T.H.
Alm, Arthur W.	1942	1943	S	832 Marshall Blvd., San Bernardino	First English	L. A. Liesch	449 25th St., San Bernardino
Alsop, Albert	1944	1945	—	Pringles 119, Olavarria FNGR, Buenos Aires, Argentina Foreign Miss.			
Andersen, Edward R.	1953	1954	N	294 Orchard Rd., Orinda	Shepherd of the Valley		
Anspach, Howard A., D.D.	1913	1930	S	3857 Wellington Rd., L.A. 8	St. Marks	Roy M. Kautz	2214 Malcolm, L.A.
Arbaugh, William C.	1950	1955	S	1304 S. Bruce, Las Vegas	Reformation	Jack C. Lloyd	911 Essex Dr. W., Las Vegas
Arthur, Richard C.	1953	1954	N	417 S. Oregon St., Yreka	Mt. Zion		
Attwood, George K.	1951	1951	S	306 Norwich Drive	Beverly Hills	Mrs. R. A. Spicer	1520-A Ocean Park Blvd., L.A.
Awerkamp, Orval A.	1935	1935	S	2336 Oregon, Long Beach	Trinity	Rev. C. E. Naugle	2463 California St., Huntington Park
Balsley, Glen O.	1945	1947	H	3441 Alani Dr., Honolulu	Honolulu Lutheran	W. F. Bechert	99010 Lohea Pl., Aieca, Oahu
Beasom, James P., Jr., D.D.	1923	1937	S	2 Grosvenor Court, Christchurch Ave., London, N.W. 6, England — L.W.F. Assignment			
Benko, Vlad P.	1945	1949	S	1371 Sunset Cliffs	St. Peter's	W. G. Bennett	4603 Osprey St., San Diego 7
Bennett, Richard M.	1954	1955	S	2009 S. Garfield, Monterey Park	St. Paul's		
Bergstresser, Philip W.	1944	1944	N	1824 55th Ave., Oakland	St. John's	J. S. Kissinger	2117 Seminary, Oakland
Bishop, James P.	1953	1954	S	921 Pepper Dr., El Cajon	St. John's	C. R. Gooding	1176 Flamingo Ave., El Cajon
Bjarnason, B. A.	1934	1954	A	Box 265, Ajo, Ariz.	Grace		
Blough, William H.	1928	1949	S	4427 Overland, Culver City	Grace	E. L. Petersen	10742 Braddock Dr., Culver City
Bonker, Milus W.	1945	1946	N	556 31st, Richmond	Grace	Russell T. Ash	727 34th, Richmond
Bowman, J. William	1948	1949	S	1162 N. Huntington Blvd., Pomona	Trinity		
Bremer, Otto A.	1953	1954	N	2311 Bowditch Street, Berkeley 4 — Northern California Lutheran Student Foundation			
Burns, Lyle C., D.D.	1932	1955	A	3324 E. Osborn Rd., Phoenix, Ariz.	Grace	Mrs. P. M. Thomas	217 E. Colter, Phoenix
Clark, Charles J.	1951	1951	S	455 E. McKinley, Rialto	New Mission		
Claus, August S.	1943	1943	N	2112 Lotus, Fresno	St. Paul's	Carl Brase	2233 Holly St., Fresno
Clutz, Frank H.	1931	1949	A	805 E. Camelback, Phoenix	Faith	W. F. Steffenhagen	4745 N. 32nd St., Phoenix
Crouser, Clarence F.	1930	1930	N	59 E. Julian St., San Jose	Grace	E. O. Bjorkland	Rt. 5, Box 528-D, San Jose
Dorn, J. George, D.D.	1915	1927	N	1135 O'Farrell St., S.F.	St. Mark's	A. E. Williamson	104 Presidio, S. F. 15
Dowler, Hugh	1930	1954	N	1621 S. Cedar, Fresno	Luther Memorial	August Fuchs	2009 Gearhart, Fresno
Durkee, Harry D.	1954	1955	N	1963 Carlson Blvd., Richmond	St. James'	Mrs. C. Rosenstraven	2331 Carlson Blvd., Richmond
Ederma, Bruno	1925	1951	S	Route 2, Box 855, Norco	Bethany		
Edwards, W. Morgan	1942	1953	N	2940 39th, Sacramento	First English	Donald V. Peterson	521 Sandbury Dr., Sacramento
Endter, Charles A.	1952	1953	N	418 Rigg St., Santa Cruz	St. Stephen's	Martin Ericson	Felton, California
Failing, L. A.	1934	1946	S	2450 N. Parish, Burbank	Luther Memorial	G. H. Jastrow	1080 E. Grinnell, Burbank
Falk, Heinrich, Ph.D.	.....	1954	—	Colegio "Campo" Campo Alegre, Avenida Los Cortisos, Caracas, Venezuela			
Fellner, M. John	1948	1949	S	2064 Fifth St., San Fernando	St. Mark's	Fred Swindle	Rt. 1, Box 72, San Fernando
Fincher, James M.	1953	1954	H	P.O. Box 6116, Honolulu	Luth. of Pearl Harbor		
Flora, George R.	1936	1951	N	2310 Hedding St., San Jose	Bethany	L. P. Hopkins	916 Broadleaf, San Jose
Foelsch, Charles B., Ph.D., D.D.	1915	1953	N	2770 Marin, Berkeley — President, Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary			
Foerster, John D., S.T.M.	1943	1951	S	908 Church St., Redlands	First		
Foreid, Theodore	1937	1955	S	4801 E. Broadway, Long Beach	Gloria Dei	Supply Pastor	

Garman, Quentin P.	1944	1947	S	1108 Diamond St., San Diego	Christ	R. L. Lundstrom	1235 Chalcedony, San Diego
Glidewell, Jack W.	1949	1950	A	Box 1673, Globe, Ariz.	St. Paul's	D. D. Crumley	P.O. Box 1562, Globe, Ariz.
Harjunpaa, Toivo	1936	1954	N	2750 Marin Ave., Berkeley	Shepherd-of-the-Hills	T. L. Nilson	901 Grizzley Park Blvd., Berkeley
Hartzhein, Kenneth E.	1953	1954	N	722 29th Ave., S.F.	First United	C. E. Graeher	210 11th Ave., S.F.
Heinecken, F. W.	1929	1945	S	4162 Rubidoux, Riverside	Trinity	U. E. Murphy	4435 Douglass, Riverside
Hidy, Albert S.	1951	1951	N	16248 Carolyn, San Leandro	Epiphany	R. A. Meyer	21866 Foothill, San Leandro
Hidy, Ross F.	1942	1945	N	3045 Hillegass, Berkeley	St. Michael's	W. B. Scheehl	5924 Contra Costa Rd., Oakland
Holand, Clifford B.	1927	1938	S	8320 Rayford Dr., L.A. 45	Transfiguration		
Jenson, Neale O.	1952	1953	S	7420 Dinsdale, Downey	Christ	Mrs. Bertha Louve	9105 Otto, Downey
Kjeldahl, Ragnar	1940	1949	N	P.O. Box 2000, Porterville — Porterville State Hospital			
Kleinbergs, Oscar D.	1933	1952	S	2203½ S. Budlong Ave., L.A.	Peace	Gibulis Karlis	1341 14th, Santa Monica
Klover, William W., D.D.	1931	1953	S	431 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica	St. Paul's	G. D. Jackson	715 17th, Santa Monica
Kniseley, Karl E.	1941	1955	S	1303 N. Brand, Glendale	First	Howard Logan	757 Pioneer Dr., Glendale
Knudten, A. C.	1920	1943	S	252 Atara St., Monrovia	Duarte (New Mission)		
Kotter, Vernon E.	1935	1954	N	5 Sunnyside Dr., Reno	Good Shepherd	E. B. Sawyer	1491 E. 10th, Reno
Lamberts, Eduards J.	1938	1951	N	1240 Princeton Ave., Fresno			
Linton, Kenneth E.	1947	1948	N	926 Gold St., Redding	United Ev.	Leonard Jones	838 Butte St., Redding
Lorimer, Harold J.	1944	1944	S	1138 W. 162nd, Gardena	St. John's	Lincoln Schmidt	Gardena
Lucas, Herman	1923	1925	N	544 Belvedere, S.F.	St. Matthew's	Albert L. H. Gercke	10 Pemberton Pl., S.F.
Mertz, Louis F.	1946	1946	S	3806 San Anseline, Long Beach	Lakewood Ev.	G. C. Melcher	6172 N. Eastbrook, Lakewood
Meyer, Christian H.	1944	1951	S	14301 Martha, Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	R. T. Depau	7417 Haskell, Van Nuys
Meyer, J. Henry	1930	1954	N	643 28th Ave., San Mateo	St. Andrew's	Fred Lett	205 Vancouver, San Mateo
Miley, Charles A.	1929	1946	N	2720 58th St., Sacramento	St. Paul's	G. Fenske	4409 54th St., Sacramento
Miller, Eldon R.	1944	1944	S	900 Story Pl., Alhambra	Grace		
Miller, L. S. G., D.D.	1907	1954	S	2514 Sixth Avenue, Los Angeles — Missionary to Japanese			
Moyer, Carl H.	1933	1950	S	997 E. Walnut St., Pasadena	Trinity	A. S. Anspach	6109 N. Camellia, Temple City
Naugle, Clarence E.	1924	1955	—	2463 California St., Long Beach	Trinity	Assistant Pastor	
Nickel, Raymond L.	1945	1951	S	2071 S. Broadway, Santa Ana	United	Lee Gabel	13745 Wake, Santa Ana
Nield, John B., Ph.D.	1943	1943	S	11613 E. Bryant, El Monte	Redeemer	A. C. Bertelsen	4249 N. Cogswell, El Monte
Olson, Goodwin T.	1929	1951	N	725 Lansing Way, Fresno 4	Faith		
Olson, Kenneth T.	1954	1955	S	22065 Gilmore, Canoga Park	New Mission	P. C. Morgan	520 Serrania, Woodland Hills
Olson, Stanley E.	1952	1953	A	2222 S. 4th, Yuma	Faith	E. H. Fisher	845 Cactus Dr., Yuma
Pederson, Gerald O.	1951	1951	S	1605 Rose, Long Beach	Trinity	Director of Religious Education	
Rangeler, Ralph	1919	1955	S	2424 Fremont, Alhambra — Home for Aged Superintendent			
Ranlett, Fred Grant	1954	1955	N	432 Hawley St., Sanger	St. Paul's		
Reenstjerna, Henry W., Jr.	1954	1955	N	3600 Karl Dr., North Highlands	New Mission		
Robison, David E.	1937	1947	S	6444 S. Glengarry, Whittier	Salem	J. T. Jones	1023 Carley, Whittier
Romeis, H. Paul	1931	1936	S	3119 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles — Pacific Southwest Synod — Mission Supervisor			
Romeis, Robert S.	1938	1938	N	1709 L St., Sacramento	St. John's	E. H. Hooper	4208 Lyle St., Sacramento
Ruccius, Walter M., D.D.	1917	1951	S	1109 Anacapa St., Santa Barbara	Grace	K. Guest	1733 Loma St., Santa Barbara

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Samuelson, Gene H.	1954	1955	N	2413 58th St., Sacramento	St. John's	Assistant Pastor	
Scherch, Richard O.	1951	1954	S	1001 Rowell, Manhattan Beach	Trinity	C. Haskem	1404 Wendy Way, Manhatan Beach
Scherer, Henry H.	1928	1943	S	3921 Baldwin Pk. Blvd., Baldwin Pk.	Ascension		
Schluntz, Harold P.	1953	1954	S	820 N. Grand, Orange	Our Saviour		
Scholl, Titus R.	1938	1946	S	197 W. Foothill, Altadena	Altadena	P. W. Davis	79 W. Mariposa, Altadena
Schott, Franklin	1942	1952	A	4046 E. Cambridge, Phoenix	Mount of Olives	E. J. Tingwold	4238 E. Pinchot, Phoenix
Schroder, Peter C., Jr.	1953	1954	N	5640 El Sereno, Mountain View	Immanuel	J. C. Helsel	624 Fremont Rd., Mountain View
Schwertz, Albert B., D.D.	1924	1941	S	3119 W. 6th, L.A.	First English	H. A. Weisman	110 Detroit St., L.A.
Senft, Kenneth C.	1952	1953	N	227 D St., Redwood City	Messiah	Donald Schwartz	470 Garden, Palo Alto
Simmons, John G.	1942	1951	S	11031 Camarillo, North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	R. F. Amrhein	12441 Woodbridge, North Hollywood
Smith, Charles P.	1938	1943	S	2721 E. Florence, Huntington Park	St. Luke's	C. A. Bauer	3122 Wisconsin, South Gate
Smith, Frederick A., Th.D.	1931	1945	S	1371 South Hope, Los Angeles — Executive Director of Lutheran Welfare of Southern California			
Soldan, A. J., D.D.	1901	1929	S	11421 Waterford, L.A.	Westwood Village		
Spalding, Richard W.	1954	1955	S	6442 S. Glengarry, Whittier	Salem Ev. Lutheran	Associate Pastor	
Spindt, George A.	1945	1945	A	1946 E. Helen, Tucson, Ariz.	Our Saviour's	Miss Vera Karrow	Pacific Lutheran Seminary
Spirer, Edward N., D.D.	1930	1931	S	3119 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles — Director, Church Extension Division			
Steffens, George E.	1952	1953	N	2830 Wrendale Way, Sacramento	Our Redeemer		
Steinhaus, John R.	1953	1954	S	5027 Ambrose, Hollywood		D. M. Lingle	6777 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood
Stuhr, Walter M.	1931	1948	S	328 S. Marengo, Alhambra	Our Saviour		
Stump, John P.	1940	1948	S	1308 Salisbury, La Canada	Foothill		
Sturtevant, Lloyd	1953	1954	S	3040 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach	Faith	Mrs. Lloyd Sturtevant	2641 Hayes, Long Beach
Swanson, Franklin A.	1938	1942	H	110 Kuuala St., Lanikai	St. John's		
Tambert, Carl V., D.D.	1932	1946	S	3119 West Sixth Street, Los Angeles — President of Synod			
Toepel, Douglas	1954	1954	N	15 Latona, San Francisco	Temple		
Valbracht, Edw. F., S.T.M., D.D	1915	1951	S	324 S. Louise, Azusa	Calvary	Supply Pastor	
Varblow, Robert W.	1954	1955	N	1425 Murwood Dr., Walnut Creek	New Mission		
Vetter, Ernest W.	1954	1955	H	3660 Pahoa Ave., Honolulu	St. Paul's		
Vosseler, Erwin A.	1920	1941	S	1320 2nd Ave., San Diego	First	Luther Dressel	3436 Robin, San Diego
Vosseler, E. Gene	1953	1954	S	Georgetown, British Guiana, S. A. — Foreign Missionary			
Wagner, Donald E.	1945	1945	N	1283 Holman Rd., Oakland	First English	Mrs. H. F. Rohrbach	1072 Park Lane, Oakland
						J. S. Kissinger	2117 Seminary Ave., Oakland
Wallner, William E.	1931	1953	S	1059 South Hauser, Los Angeles — N. L. C. Area Secretary			
Wheatley, Robert C.	1947	1949	N	1309 Tuolumne St., Vallejo	St. Paul's	S. D. Millon	1005 Shasta St., Vallejo
Witthoff, Charles M.	1953	1955	S	710 Gaybar Ave., West Covina	Our Savior	Mrs. A. Deuendorf	13709 Judith, Puente
Youngquist, James A.	1952	1953	S	5618 Verdura, Lakewood 11	Mt. Olivet	D. T. Eggen	5153 Bixler, Lakewood
Vacant			S	324 S. Louise Ave., Azusa	Calvary		
Vacant			N	630 Ferger Ave., Fresno	First	G. L. Miksch	4470 E. Illino, Fresno
						J. M. Moon	415 Ferger St., Fresno
Vacant			S	5842 E. Second St., Long Beach	Gloria Dei		
Vacant			N	3978 Clayton Rd., Concord	Good Shepherd		
Vacant			S	9300 S. Crenshaw, Inglewood	Holy Trinity	E. F. MacDonough	9245 Crenshaw Blvd., Inglewood 4

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Forsythe, Willis J., Lt. S.G.	1946	1947	S	Naval Hospital, St. Albans, Long Island, New York
Johnson, Earl	.....	1946	N	3425 Bryant Street, Palo Alto, California
May, Erwin T., Lt. Col.	1931	1931	N	Building 208, Ft. Mason, S.F.P.E., San Francisco
Miley, Dwight L.	1936	1946	N	Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Meade, South Dakota
Mosling, Donald C. M., LCDR.	1943	1951	—	2nd Bn., 123rd Inf. Regt., 440 Inf. Div., Ft. Lewis, Washington
Schwenk, Elwood	1921	1947	N	412 Morago Ave., Piedmont, Chap. Vet. Adm. Hospital, Oakland
Vosseler, Lawrence	1941	1941	N	Chaplain's Office (REINF), F.M.F., 1st Marine Div., c/o F.P.O., San Francisco
Wharton, Paul C.	1938	1939	S	3316½ W. 77th St., Los Angeles 43, Chap., Santa Monica and Calif. Hospitals
Wright, Edward Dewitt, Cdr.	1923	1937	S	CHC, USN, U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego 34
Youngerman, Theo. R.	1954	1955	S	Box 139, U. S. Naval Station, San Diego
RETIRED				
Broyer, John R., Ph.D.	1896	1912	N	1622 Great Highway, San Francisco 22
Fieblekorn, Albert	1903	1921	S	275 North Alta Vista, Monrovia
Gray, Louis G., Th.D.	1921	1951	S	2424 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra
Groseclose, Albert L.	1911	1945	S	1755 Oakdale, Pasadena 4
Harter, Norman N.	1895	1911	S	500 South Kingsley Street, Los Angeles 5
Herold, J. S., D.D.	1900	1939	N	138 North 11th Street, Miamisburg, Ohio
Hoick, John Edward, D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1898	S	1041 Leighton Avenue, Los Angeles 37
Hormann, Arthur, Ph.D.	1911	1947	H	99-1154 Aiea Heights Drive, Aiea, Oahu, Hawaii
Kohls, George H.	1913	1951	N	2451 Webster Street, Berkeley, California
Kohler, Henry I.	1919	1930	S	7011 South San Pedro Street, Los Angeles 3
Leech, Harvey M.	1894	1919 (1912)	S	2424 South Fremont, Alhambra, California
Lindsay, H. C.	1931	1942	A	5655 North Camino del Contento, Phoenix, Arizona
Meyer, Emil	1900	1919	N	3900 Lakeshore, Oakland
Oehler, Charles F., D.D.	1888	1893	N	1713 J Street, Sacramento 14
Poat, William F., Lt.D.	1901	1920	N	3710 Mintern Street, Riverside
Schmidt, Henry F.	1895	1930	S	646 Cerritos Avenue, Long Beach 12
Snyder, Daniel J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1903	1908	S	2085 Linden Street, Long Beach 6
Trabert, E. A., D. D. (P.E.M.)	1898	1919	N	21 Chestnut Avenue, Los Gatos, California
Weaver, H. J., D.D. (P.E.M.)	1894	1900	S	2424 S. Fremont, Alhambra, California

CONVENTIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

	PLACE	Date	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	Pastors	Congregations
1	Los Angeles	1891	Rev. O. C. Miller	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Mr. John Everding	8	5
2	San Francisco	1892	Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, Sc.D.	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Mr. John Everding	10	6
3	Sacramento	1893	Rev. Philip Graif	Rev C. W. Maggart	Mr. John Everding	12	8
4	San Diego	1894	Rev. M. H. Stine	Rev. J. S. Simon	Mr. John Everding	16	10
5	Los Angeles	1895	Rev. C. W. Maggart	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Mr. John Everding	17	9
6	San Jose	1896	Rev. V. G. A. Tressler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	17	11
7	Oakland	1897	Rev. C. F. Oehler	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Mr. John Everding	20	12
8	Sacramento	1898	Rev. E. Nelander, Ph.D.	Rev. J. W. Ball	Mr. John Everding	20	11
9	San Diego	1899	Rev. J. W. Ball	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
10	San Francisco	1900	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	17	10
11	Los Angeles	1901	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	10
12	Alameda	1902	Rev. William Kelly	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	11
13	Sacramento	1903	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	18	13
14	Riverside	1904	Rev. Herman Gehrcke	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	21	14
15	San Jose	1905	Rev. H. J. Weaver	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	24	16
16	Sacramento	1906	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	22	18
17	Redlands	1907	Rev. W. E. Crouser	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	27	20
18	Santa Barbara	1908	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	20
19	Fresno	1909	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	28	21
20	San Francisco	1910	Rev. O. H. Gruver	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	29	21
21	San Diego	1911	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	30	22
22	Los Angeles	1912	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	41	24
23	Sacramento	1913	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	42	27
24	Santa Barbara	1914	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	43	28
25	Mt. Hermon	1915	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. G. H. Hillerman	P. S. Leisenring, M.D.	44	29
26	Long Beach	1916	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. M. N. Harter	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	29
27	San Francisco	1917	Rev. C. F. Oehler, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	44	30
28	Pasadena	1918	Rev. H. J. Weaver, D.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	45	30
29	Oakland	1919	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	46	30
30	San Diego	1920	Rev. J. R. Broyer, Ph.D.	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	51	30
31	San Jose	1921	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	53	32
32	Los Angeles	1922	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. G. H. Hillerman, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	32

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34	San Diego	1924	Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	54	35
35	San Francisco	1926	Rev. D. J. Snyder	Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, Ph.D., D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	60	35
36	Glendale	1927	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. S. T. Himes, Ph.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	66	38
37	Oakland	1928	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	63	38
38	Hollywood	1929	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Richard H. Trojan	Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.	58	37
39	Sacramento	1930	Rev. E. P. Schueler, D.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	37
40	Long Beach	1931	Rev. J. W. Ball, Ph.D.	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	64	37
41	San Francisco	1932	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Louis S. Axe	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	68	38
42	Los Angeles	1933	Rev. E. A. Trabert	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	65	36
43	Oakland	1934	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	62	36
44	Riverside	1935	Rev. John Edward Hoick	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	64	35
45	San Francisco	1936	Rev. Earnest A. Trabert, D.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. J. A. Sende, C.P.A.	63	37
46	Phoenix, Arizona	1937	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Henry Irving Kohler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	66	37
47	Sacramento	1938	Rev. James J. Raun, Ph.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	37
48	Santa Monica	1939	Rev. Howard A. Anspach	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	60	37
49	San Jose	1940	Rev. Howard A. Anspach, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	57	36
50	Los Angeles	1941	Rev. Wm. H. Derr	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	59	38
51	Sacramento	1942	Rev. Wm. H. Derr, D.D.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	63	38
52	Glendale	1943	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr.	Rev. Clarence F. Crouser	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	67	39
53	San Francisco	1944	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	68	39
54	Pasadena	1945	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. E. A. Vosseler	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	83	42
55	Oakland	1946	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	90	46
56	Hollywood	1947	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Wm. B. Scheehl	101	52
57	San Diego	1948	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	99	60
58	San Francisco	1949	Rev. James P. Beasom Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	65	61
59	Huntington Park	1950	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	73	68
60	Sacramento	1951	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	110	72
61	Los Angeles	1952	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	115	80
62	Richmond	1953	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	122	83
63	Long Beach	1954	Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.	Rev. Paul H. Wolpert	Mr. Carl A. Bell	131	87
64	Berkeley	1955	Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D.	Rev. John G. Simmons	Mr. Carl A. Bell	129	95

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1956—The Rev. Walter M. Ruccius, D.D., The Rev. J. George Dorn, D.D.
1957—The Rev. Milus Bonker, The Rev. Erwin A. Vosseler, Convenor.
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THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Rev. George R. Flora, Chairman; The Rev. Arthur C. Knudten, D.D., Mr. Wendell Larson, The Rev. L. S. G. Miller, D.D., The Rev. Stanley E. Olson, Mrs. Clarence Schneider, The Rev. Franklin A. Swanson, Mrs. Ida Thomas, Mr. Russell Wold.

THE SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Rev. Clifford Holand, Chairman; The Rev. John P. Stump, The Rev. W. Morgan Edwards, Mr. Roland L. McKern, The Rev. Paul Wharton, The Rev. James A. Youngquist, Mr. Roy Kautz.

THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The Rev. Donald Wagner, Chairman; The Rev. Charles Foelsch, Ph.D., D.D., The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., Mr. Paul Spindt.

THE PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1956—The Rev. Harry Durkee, Mr. Robert Hite, Mrs. Robert Wheatley.
1957—The Rev. John D. Foerster, S.T.M., John E. Miller, Sister Marian Maurer.
1958—The Rev. Titus E. Scholl, Chairman; The Rev. Gerald O. Pedersen, Mrs. William Rasmussen, The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D.

THE LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISORS

The Rev. William Blough The Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim

THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

The Rev. William W. Klover, D.D., Chairman; The Rev. J. Henry Meyer, The Rev. Thomas Allport, Mr. Gene Hoeftman, The Rev. Paul Waldschmidt, Mr. W. J. McLeod, The Rev. Franklin H. Schott, Mr. Ira Bayshore.

THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Mr. P. O. Narveson, Chairman; Mr. Howard Logan, The Rev. Louis F. Mertz, The Rev. Richard Bennett.

THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK

The Rev. George Spindt, Chairman; Mr. Robert Brorby, Mr. Robert Hanson, Mrs. George Kohls, The Rev. Harold J. Lorimer, The Rev. C. H. Meyer.

THE COMMITTEE ON FAITH AND LIFE

The Rev. Vernon Kotter, Chairman; The Rev. Lyle C. Burns, D.D., The Rev. Vlad P. Benko, The Rev. Otto Bremer, The Rev. Charles A. Endter, Mr. Edwin Hooper, The Rev. Walter M. Ruccius, D.D., Mrs. William F. Steffenhagen.

THE MUSIC AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The Rev. Charles P. Smith, Chairman; The Rev. Tolvo Harjunpaa, Rev. John B. Nield, Ph.D. Mrs. Albert Schwertz, The Rev. Walter Stuhr, Dr. James Murray.

THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION

The Rev. Frederick A. Smith, Th.D., Chairman; Mr. Paul G. Breckenridge, The Rev. Charles A. Miley.

THE COMMITTEE ON REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

The Rev. L. A. Failing, Chairman; The Rev. Albert S. Hidy, The Rev. Walter M. Ruccius, D.D.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE LUTHERAN

The Rev. Eldon R. Miller, Chairman; The Rev. James Fincher, The Rev. Charles J. Clark, The Rev. Peter C. Schroder.

THE COMMITTEE ON THE MINUTES OF SYNOD

The Rev. Kenneth E. Linton, Chairman; The Rev. Jack Glidewell, The Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant.

DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

Mrs. A. G. Dentman

THE COMMITTEE OF PRESIDENTS

The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., Chairman and Conference Presidents.

THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

The Rev. Robert Romeis, Chairman; The Rev. Lloyd C. Jacobson, The Rev. Glen O Balsley, The Rev. Bruno Ederma, Mr. George Hock, The Rev. Karl E. Kniseley, Mrs. Robert Foulke, The Rev. Kenneth Olson, The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, Mr. Selmer Wiig, The Rev. J. William Bowman.

THE CHAPLAIN OF SYNOD

The Rev. Lyle C. Burns, D.D.

TRUSTEES OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

1956—The Rev. Albert Schwertz, D.D.; Ex Officio; The President of Synod.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

1956—The Rev. Carl A. Moyer, Mrs. Esther N. Alm.
1957—President of Synod, The Rev. John Steinhaus, Mr. Everett Ofstedahl.
1958—The Rev. Orval Awerkamp, The Rev. Henry Scherer, Dr. Edward N. Spirer.

THE BOARD OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

1956—The Rev. Ross F. Hidy
1957—Mr. Howard Logan
1958—Mr. William Scheehl
1959—The Rev. John P. Stump

Ex Officio—President of Synod

THE BOARD OF THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION

1956—The Rev. Quentin P. Garman, The Rev. David W. Robison, Mrs. R. I. Inslee, Mr. Robert Brammer.
1957—The Rev. Charles P. Smith, The Rev. George Steffens, Mr. Albert Anspach, Dr. A. G. Henrich.
1958—Mrs. Arthur Alm, The Rev. George Flora, The Rev. F. W. Heinecken, The Rev. George Spindt.

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The Rev. Frank Clutz, President
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The Rev. Kenneth Senft, President
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The Rev. John G. Simmons, President
The Rev. John Stump, Vice-President
The Rev. John Steinhaus, Secretary
Mr. Bernard Wahl, Treasurer

SUMMARY PAGE

of

Major Actions of Synodical Convention in Order of Occurrence

ELECTIONS

Motion prevailed that the final printed or mimeographed official ballots at next year's Synodical Convention contain the names of all nominees, including those nominated from floor of the Convention. Constitution Committee to prepare By Laws to carry out the meaning of this action.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Motion prevailed that Synod instruct the Committee on Christian Education and the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation to make a joint study in 1955 on Parish Education bringing back to the Convention of Synod in 1956 a complete report and recommendation for a total Parish Education program. Referred with instructions.

Motion prevailed to reconsider Recommendation No. 1 of Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation Board. Motion to add to Recommendation No. 1.

> Amend that Synod instruct the Executive Committee to appoint a special Committee in consultation with Christian Education and Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

Motion prevailed that Recommendation No. 3 be adopted.

Motion that a special item of $25,000 be established in the three-year program for the office of a full-time Director of Religious Education and Youth with the provision that $15,000 be included in the 1956 apportioned need with $5,000 suggested for the special needs for 1957 and 1958.

Motion prevailed that Synod make provision in the 1956 Budget for funds to establish the Office of Christian Education Director, a full-time employee of Synod, under the direction of the Executive Committee.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Motion prevailed that the request of Synod to the Executive Committee to present a positive statement on Christian Stewardship to the Convention be referred to the Executive Committee for study and presentation to the 1956 Convention.

BUDGET

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be authorized to prepare a 1956 Budget for Synod. The Budget to be presented as information to the Fall Conference Meetings. The Budget will become operative January 1, 1956, with ratification or adjustment at the Synodical Convention (Amended by addition). The apportionment for 1956 will be between $12 and $13 per communing member.

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be instructed to bring the Budget for 1957 to the Conferences for study and to Synod for adoption in 1956.

SPECIAL NEEDS

Motion prevailed that the 1956 allocation in the Special Needs Budget Program be adopted: $4.00 per communing member first year 24,000 members:

Home for the Aged	$74,000
Midland College	20,000
Lutheran Student Foundation	2,000
	$96,000

Motion prevailed that a study be made by the Executive Committee of the Capital Needs of Institutions supported by our Synod during the next three years and report to the next meeting of Synod, and that Midland College Trustees be requested to provide us with complete information about the needs of the College for presentation to the Conferences of Synod and available for distribution to Church Councils in order that more unanimous interest might be won for Midland College Appeal.

Motion prevailed that the Treasurer of Synod make proper arrangements for the reception of funds for the Special Needs Causes beginning with 1955.

CAMPING PROGRAM

The following items with reference to the Camping Program of Synod were referred to the Executive Committee for study:

1. That Camp Yolijwa be continued at Seven Oaks as Synod Camp for 1955.
2. That all camping programs beginning 1956 shall be administered and supported by the respective conferences.
3. That Conference Camps shall be financed in their capital fund needs within the respective conferences upon the approval of the Synod.
4. That Synod shall include an item in its Budget to assist each conference camp in its operating expense.

CRUSADE FOR YOUTH

Motion prevailed that the Crusade for Youth be officially terminated February 1, 1955 and that congregations be encouraged to make their payments on the Crusade for Youth to the Camp program of their choice.

MINUTES

of the

Sixty-Fourth Annual Convention

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Pacific Southwest

FIRST SESSION

The 64th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southewst was opened in St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley, California, on January 24, 1955 with the service of Holy Communion beginning at 4:00 P.M. with the following participants: Homilist, The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., President of Synod; Liturgist, The Rev. John G. Simmons, Secretary of Synod; Administrants, The Rev. Kenneth Senft, The Rev. John G. Simmons, and The Rev. Frank H. Clutz; Conference Presidents, and the Rev. Ross Hidy, Pastor Loci.

SECOND SESSION

January 24, 1955 — 7:45 P.M.

The second session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "The Truth Which Makes Us Free Shall Move Freely."

The Rev. L. A. Failing presented the Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel. He made the motion that the printed program be the official program of the Synod with the following changes:

Page 2—12:30 Meeting of Executive Committee instead of 2 P.M.

Page 2—After Report of Convention Committees
Insert Report of Ministerium.

Page 3—Insert 4:25 for Report of Fourth Session Meeting of Lay Delegates.
4:30 Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

Page 3—Fifth Session—8:45 instead of 9 A.M. for Bible Study Hour (3).
9:15 for Memorial Service . . . Necrologist.

Page 4—Sixth Session—4:15-5:30 U.L.C.A. Representative Mr. Chester Myrom.

Motion prevailed unanimously.

Mr. Wm. Scheehl introduced the Mayor of Berkeley, Dr. Lawrence Cross, who brought greetings.

Chaplain Midboe of the National Lutheran Council Chaplaincy Service introduced the following Chaplains: Neiss, Andrews, Schaeffer and Thorson.

Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, President of Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, was introduced to the Convention by the President of Synod.

Pastor Scherer introduced The Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Rangeler to the Convention. Pastor Rangeler is the new Superintendent of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged.

Dr. Paul Dieckman, President of Midland College, was introduced by Dr. Tambert.

Dr. Ralph Loew, who is currently presenting the Knubel-Miller Lectures, was introduced by Dr. Tambert.

The President presented a list of Committees for the Convention. Motion carried that the following be the official Committees:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Rev. William Blough, Chairman
Dr. Lyle C. Burns
Rev. John Steinhaus
Mr. William Steffenhagen
Mr. Joseph Basconcillo

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS: Dr. Albert Schwertz, Chairman
Rev. F. W. Heinecken
Rev. J. William Bowman
Rev. George Flora
Rev. Herman Lucas
Mr. Waldemar Bechert
Mr. Russell Ash

EXCUSES: Rev. Charles P. Smith, Chairman
Rev. Jack Glidewell
Mr. Philip Morgan

COMMITTEE ON CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS: Rev. Richard Scherch, Chairman
#1 Rev. Edward Andersen
Rev. William C. Arbaugh
Rev. Richard C. Arthur
Rev. George K. Attwood
Mr. Emil Tingwall
Mr. Darrell D. Crumley
#2 Rev. Harold P. Schluntz
Rev. Douglas Toepel
Rev. Philip W. Bergstresser
Rev. James P. Bishop
Mr. L. A. Lieach
Mr. Donald V. Petersen
#3 Rev. Charles J. Clark
Rev. Hugh Dowler
Rev. John M. Fellner
Rev. Robert Varblow
Mr. Clyde A. Bauer

Pastor Simmons read the following report of the Ministerium:

THE REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE TO THE MINISTERIUM OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

YOUR EXAMINING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

1. That the following men, examined by us, and recommended to the Executive Committee of Synod for ad interim ordination, be received into membership of Synod, namely:

   Robert Varblow
   Richard Bennett
   Ernest Vetter
   Kenneth Olson
   Harry Durkee
   Richard Spalding
   Theodore Youngerman
   Henry Reenstjerna
   Gene Samuelson
   Fred Grant Rantlett

2. That Paul Nakamura, candidate for Ordination, having passed a satisfactory examination, and, having received a call from the Board of American Missions, be recommended for Ordination, and, upon his ordination, his name be placed on the membership Roll of Synod.

3. That the following Pastors, having received calls from congregations of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest, and having appeared before the Examining Committee, be recommended for reception by transfer from constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church, and their names placed on the ministerial roll, namely:

   The Rev. Karl E. Kniseley
   The Rev. Charles M. Witthoft
   The Rev. Lyle C. Burns, D.D.
   The Rev. Theodore Foreid
   The Rev. Ralph Rangeler
   The Rev. William C. Arbaugh
   The Rev. Clarence Naugle

4. That the Rev. Lloyd Jacobson, member of the Pacific Synod, having accepted a call from a congregation of our Synod, but who is not present and could not appear before your Committee, be received; if and when the requirements of the constitution under Article 8, Section IB, Paragraph 2 shall have been complied with.
5. That the Rev. Paul H. Waldschmidt, Jr., member of the Northwest Synod, having accepted a call from a congregation of our Synod, but who is not present and could not appear before the Committee, be received; if and when the requirements of constitution under Article 8, Section IB, Paragraph 2, shall have been complied with.

Respectfully submitted,
Ervin A. Vosseler, Chairman
E. F. Valbracht, Secretary

Motion prevailed that the report be adopted.

Formal service of reception of Pastors into Synod followed.

Dr. Tambert introduced the two Lay Delegates from Hawaii: Messrs. Joe Basconcillo and Waldemar Bechert.

Motion prevailed that the Report of the President from January 1st to June 30th, 1954 and July 1st to December 31st, 1954 be received and referred to Committee on Presidents Report.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF SYNOD

(January 1, 1954 through June 30, 1954)

Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

This is an abbreviated report due primarily to my being relieved of the Office of the Presidency of Synod on July 1, 1954 by the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D. I make it first, because of the constitutional requirement for the President of Synod to report primarily the Official Acts of the Office during the first six months of the year.

In the second place, I wish once more to record my gratitude to the Lord, His most Holy Church and to this Synod that made it possible for me to be used in the Office of the Presidency of Synod during an unprecedented era of expansion. This was an humbling yet a glorious experience.

Moreover, I wish to express my gratitude especially to the membership of Synod for the many kindnesses shown to me and to make public expression the appreciation of Mrs. Beasom and myself for the retirement provisions enacted for us at the last Convention of Synod. I never requested any such consideration, and, therefore, it comes with greater joy to our hearts.

In the third and final place, I wish to transmit to you once more a burden in Christ which lies upon my heart. As it is the privilege of every Christian to give of the first fruits of his labor unto the Lord, so is it the privilege of every congregation to give faithfully and completely unto the benevolences of the Synod, just as it is a primary responsibility of Synod to meet its apportionment to The United Lutheran Church in America.

It is a deep sense of satisfaction to me as I leave Office to recall that we as a Synod met our Apportionment to the ULCA and our LWA goals or exceeded them every year during these initial years of the full-time Presidency and that even for the first six months of 1954, one half of the ULCA apportionment and LWA goals have been met.

May I urge Synod to continue its stewardship emphasis.

The Office of the Presidency of Synod is not an easy one and there are many demands and many decisions to be made. It would be hopeless to believe that all could be pleased. It is because of this that I plead with you, in closing, to pray for President Carl V. Tambert; hold up his arms as he seeks to lead you as a Synod through the days of great possibilities that lie ahead.

If it has pleased Almighty God to accept the humble labors of His most unworthy servant, it is enough. I glory not in accomplishments, for I am not sure that I have any in which to boast (I shall let God be the judge), but rather shall I boast in the Lord my Saviour Who has permitted me to live under Him and in His Kingdom even as He gives me the precious hope of living with Him and in His Church Triumphant forevermore. Amen.

I wait now on the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and in the Name of the Triune God I salute you.

Respectfully submitted,
James Prince Beasom, Jr.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT
(July 1st to December 31st, 1954)

Brethren of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of
the Pacific Southwest:

"Grace be unto you and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

The above benediction and salutation clearly reflects the spirit in which I bring to you my first report as President of Synod. I am deeply grateful to our Lord for the high privilege He has granted to me through you to serve in this important capacity. The office of the President of Synod presents tasks so new and different from that of the parish ministry that one is driven into the Savior's presence to seek strength and understanding so necessary for all of us in the work of the Kingdom. Therefore I address you with humble thanksgiving to God for His mercy and goodness and with a plea to you for forbearance and understanding hearts. I earnestly plead with you also to continue your prayers to God on my behalf that I might be given the strength and wisdom so vital in the fulfillment of duties charged with high import and consequence which fall to the leaders in the Church of Christ today.

What could we do without the consecrated cooperation on every side of pastors and laymen of our Synod. It is a source of constant amazement to me that men and women who are already performing great tasks in their own parishes and congregations take up the additional duties assigned to them through the Synodical office. Our Executive Committee and Conference Presidents have assumed responsibilities in their respective areas which has made it possible to carry on in some major degree the extensive program which the Lord has laid before us. The Executive Committee has met in repeated sessions both wearying and weighted with responsibility. There has been no stinting of time and effort on their part and we are grateful to them and to their congregations for their willingness to share the time and energy of their pastors and laymen with the committees and boards of our Synod.

I pause also to pay deepest respect to the full-time staff of our Synod. The energies and round the clock time of the Mission Supervisor, Pastor Paul Romeis, the Director of Church Extension, Dr. Edward Spirer, our Comptroller of Synod, Wayne Pfundstein, as well as the young ladies in the office, all have been devoted to our great and challenging task. I feel their strength and willingness and the responsibility becomes a shared cooperative work with great degrees of joy for all. The Synod should know of the zeal of those whom they have called to important areas of administration.

OUR HOST CHURCH

St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley, The Rev. Ross F. Hidy, Pastor, joins the growing list of congregations who entertain Synod at its Annual Convention. Organized in 1913, it has an impressive history of service to our Lord and year after year has contributed leadership and varied interest to the program of Synod and The United Lutheran Church. It has been of especially vital assistance in recent years in the founding of our Seminary and in the development of our Lutheran Student Work on the campus of the University of California. Synod is to have the use of St. Michael's remodeled and refurbished House of God for the Main Services and the Convention Business Sessions. The excellent facilities for committee meetings and dining purposes will also be available for our use. We are indeed favored in this setting for our Convention.

U.L.C.A. REPRESENTATIVE

Our ULCA Representative, sent to us by the Executive Board of the Church is Mr. Chester A. Myrom, Associate Director of Stewardship of The United Lutheran Church in America. Mr. Myrom is a layman of high regard in the Church and we are especially honored to have a layman present the picture of the work of our Church through its Boards and Agencies. Mr. Myrom, in addition to his presentation of the work of our ULCA, will also be available for conferences and additional gatherings on the territory of Synod following the Convention. Mr. Robert Cummings, executive committee member, will be chairman of the Layman's Meeting at the Synodical Convention.

THE 1955 BUDGET

Of great interest and concern to the delegation will be the proposed 1955 Budget of Synod. This budget has been given widespread distribution and discussion at all the Annual Fall Conference Meetings. It will be presented in revised form, such revision growing out of suggestions and needs gleaned from the conference meetings. The spirit of our people to meet existing demands is expressed in the budget which will be presented by the Executive Committee in its report to the Convention. Other great needs of our Synod will be presented by Committees and Boards. The spirit of our Lord should prompt each one of us to fulfill the goals which we adopt and to which we are definitely committed.

OUR STEWARDSHIP

Reports will be made by the Stewardship Committee and the Statistician relative to our Stewardship of money for 1954. In addition, it is a pleasure to thank all of our people of Synod for the continuing growth in response to the Love of God and needs of His Church. Congregational Stewardship is reflected in congregational giving. A well planned stewardship effort is one of the answers to financial concern experienced by some of our congregations. It is truly an agent of the Spirit for it remains true beyond question that "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." All of our congregations are invited to seek aid from pastors and laymen in presenting a convincing and enlightening program of stewardship to the hearts of their people.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

During the last six months it has been my privilege to visit a majority of the congregations of our Synod, including the Hawaiian Islands. In most of our Churches great activity for expansion prevails. It is a joy to see our pastors and people seizing opportunities. Our Synod is expansion-minded in Evangelism, Stewardship and building programs, and in the teaching programs of the Church. All feel that the time is ripe to develop and strengthen the Kingdom. Through these paragraphs we call attention to the great evangelism programs which will be launched immediately following the Convention. The prayers of the Synod will be with the Congregations in the Areas of San Francisco and Arizona during February. The program will be continued in other areas this year and in succeeding years as set up by the Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church. We trust that every congregation in Synod will participate not only once but several times during the next three years. It would be folly if we did not seize the opportunities ahead of us to bring the unchurched into the fellowship of believers and to fill the pews with lives fully yielded to the Christ. At this point we must be alerted continually. It will be a rewarding experience to see our Synod quicken its tempo in response to our Lord's great commission which He has placed in our hands.

PASTORS SALARIES

Your President plans a confidential review of salaries of pastors during the year 1955. He urges pastors or church councils to submit to him confidential pastor salaries, parsonage and allowances (if any), also car allowances and any other type of allowances granted by the congregation. Pastors' salaries should be reviewed annually and acted upon at the annual meeting of the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl V. Tambert

OFFICIAL ACTS

The official acts for 1954 are presented herewith for the Synodical Record.

CALLS:

January 1, 1954	The Rev. Edw. R. Andersen, Shepherd of the Valley, Orinda
January 22, 1954	The Rev. Richard Bennett, St. Paul's, Monterey Park
January 25, 1954	The Rev. Harry Durkee, St. James', Richmond
February 7, 1954	The Rev. Lyle C. Burns, D.D., Grace, Phoenix
February 21, 1954	The Rev. William Arbaugh, Reformation, Las Vegas
February 21, 1954	The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, St. Paul's, Vallejo
February 28, 1954	The Rev. George E. Steffens, Our Redeemer, Sacramento
March 7, 1954	The Rev. Stanley E. Olson, Faith, Yuma, Arizona
March 14, 1954	The Rev. Neale O. Jenson, Christ, Downey
March 14, 1954	The Rev. Donald Moyer, Good Shepherd, Concord
March 21, 1954	The Rev. Charles A. Endter, St. Stephen's, Santa Cruz
April 25, 1954	The Rev. Hugh Dowler, Luther Memorial, Fresno
April 26, 1954	The Rev. Theodore R. Youngerman, Chaplaincy
May 9, 1954	The Rev. Karl E. Kniseley, First, Glendale
May 16, 1954	The Rev. Richard Spalding, Assoc. Pastor, Salem, Whittier
May 16, 1954	The Rev. Gene Samuelson, Asst. Pastor, St. John's, Sacram.
May 30, 1954	The Rev. Harold J. Lorimer, St. John's, Gardena
August 11, 1954	The Rev. Fred Grant Ranlett, St. Paul's, Sanger
August 22, 1954	The Rev. Charles M. Witthoft, Our Savior, West Covina
September 24, 1954	The Rev. B. A. Bjarnason, Grace, Ajo, Arizona
September 26, 1954	The Rev. Peter C. Schroder, Immanuel, Mountain View
October 31, 1954	The Rev. Ernest W. Vetter, St. Paul's, Honolulu
November 21, 1954	The Rev. Paul Waldschmidt, Holy Trinity, Inglewood
November 28, 1954	The Rev. Henry H. Scherer, Ascension, Baldwin Park
December 8, 1954	The Rev. George K. Attwood, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles
December 20, 1954	The Rev. Ralph Rangeler, Direct., Calif. Luth. Home for Aged

DEATHS:

July 29, 1954	The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, First, Fresno
August 29, 1954	The Rev. Guy L. Hudson, Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills
November 23, 1954	The Rev. Lorenzo A. Harshmann, Hollywood, Hollywood
January 13, 1955	The Rev. John C. Bitter, Luther Memorial, Fresno

DEDICATIONS:

February 21, 1954	Advent, Los Angeles (Parsonage)
February 28, 1954	Holy Trinity, Inglewood (Educational Unit)
April 11, 1954	Our Saviour's, Tucson (Parish House & Parsonage)
April 25, 1954	Shepherd-of-the-Hills, Berkeley (Parsonage)
May 2, 1954	Grace, Phoenix (Parish House)
June 27, 1954	St. Mark's, San Fernando (Church)
August 1, 1954	St. John's, Gardena (Parsonage)
August 22, 1954	Immanuel, Mountain View (House-Chapel)
October 24, 1954	Faith, Long Beach (Rededication)

DEMITTED:

July 6, 1954	The Rev. E. Paul Barnhart, Calvary, Azusa

DISMISSALS:

February 28, 1954	The Rev. William W. Stremel, Pittsburgh Synod
May 17, 1954	The Rev. Waldo Hansen, Iowa Synod
May 17, 1954	The Rev. Walter E. Sabins, Iowa Synod
May 18, 1954	The Rev. Waldemar G. Hintz, Pacific Synod
May 26, 1954	The Rev. Albert J. Shandrick, Rocky Mountain Synod
June 13, 1954	The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, Rocky Mountain Synod
December 14, 1954	The Rev. Edward J. Mattson to Iowa Synod

INSTALLATIONS:

March 28, 1954	The Rev. Stanley E. Olson, Faith, Yuma
April 4, 1954	The Rev. William C. Arbaugh, Reformation, Las Vegas
April 11, 1954	The Rev. Charles A. Endter, St. Stephen's, Santa Cruz
May 2, 1954	The Rev. George E. Steffens, Our Redeemer, Sacramento
May 2, 1954	The Rev. Lyle C. Burns, D.D., Grace, Phoenix
May 16, 1954	The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, St. Paul's, Vallejo
May 16, 1954	The Rev. Edw. R. Andersen, Shepherd of the Valley, Orinda
June 13, 1954	The Rev. Harry Durkee, St. James', Richmond
June 20, 1954	The Rev. Glen O. Balsley, Honolulu, Honolulu
June 27, 1954	The Rev. Richard Spalding, Assoc. Pastor, Salem, Whittier
July 8, 1954	The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., President of Synod
July 11, 1954	The Rev. Gene Samuelson, Asst. Pastor, St. John's, Sacramento
August 1, 1954	The Rev. Harold J. Lorimer, St. John's, Gardena
August 8, 1954	The Rev. Richard M. Bennett, St. Paul's, Monterey Park
September 19, 1954	The Rev. Karl E. Kniseley, First, Glendale
November 21, 1954	The Rev. Fred Grant Ranlett, St. Paul's, Sanger
November 28, 1954	The Rev. Gerald O. Pederson, Trinity, Long Beach, Director of Religious Education
December 12, 1954	The Rev. Ernest W. Vetter, St. Paul's, Honolulu

MERGERS:

February 28, 1954	St. James' Church and Peace Church, Richmond, as St. James'

ORDINATIONS:

May 16, 1954	The Rev. Robert Varblow, Walnut Creek
May 23, 1954	The Rev. Richard Bennett, St. Paul's, Monterey Park
May 30, 1954	The Rev. Ernest W. Vetter, St. Paul's, Honolulu, T.H.
May 30, 1954	The Rev. Kenneth Olson, Canoga Park
June 6, 1954	The Rev. Harry Durkee, St. James', Richmond
June 6, 1954	The Rev. Richard Spalding, Assoc. Pastor, Salem, Whittier
June 13, 1954	The Rev. Theodore Youngerman, Chaplaincy
June 27, 1954	The Rev. Henry Reenstjerna, North Highlands
July 4, 1954	The Rev. Gene Samuelson, Asst. Pastor at St. John's, Sac.
September 26, 1954	The Rev. Fred Grant Ranlett, St. Paul's, Sanger

ORGANIZATIONS:

March 28, 1954	Grace Lutheran Church, Ajo, Arizona
April 4, 1954	Luther Memorial Church, Fresno, California
April 11, 1954	Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mountain View, California
April 25, 1954	St. John's Lutheran Church, El Cajon, California
June 13, 1954	Our Savior Lutheran Church, West Covina, California
June 27, 1954	Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Orange, California
December 12, 1954	St. John's Lutheran Church of Kailua, T.H.

RESIGNATIONS:

February 7, 1954	The Rev. Glen O. Balsley, St. Paul's, Vallejo
March 28, 1954	The Rev. Guy L. Hudson, Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills
March 31, 1954	The Rev. Robert C. Wheatley, St. John's, Gardena
June 13, 1954	The Rev. J. Benner Weaver, Holy Trinity, Inglewood
June 30, 1954	The Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., First, Glendale
June 30, 1954	The Rev. Eduards Lamberts, St. Paul's, Sanger

RESIGNATIONS:

July 1, 1954	The Rev. Edward J. Mattson, Lutheran Welfare Service Northern California
July 24, 1954	The Rev. Ragner Kjeldahl, Calif. Enb. Branch, YMCA, San Mateo, Calif.
September 1, 1954	The Rev. E. Paul Barnhart, Calvary, Azusa
September 30, 1954	The Rev. Donald Moyer, Good Shepherd, Concord
October 15, 1954	The Rev. Gerald Pedersen, Ascension, Baldwin Park

Motion prevailed that the following reports be adopted with additions to Necrologist Report:

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The filing cabinet in the Synodical Office is the depository of the Archives which have been brought up to date.

The attention of the pastors is called to the direction of the Synodical Constitution as follows: "Each congregation shall file a copy of its constitution with the Archivist of Synod."

Respectfully submitted,
John Edward Hoick

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

We bow our wills submissively to the Will of our Heavenly Father, who, in His infinite mercy, has taken from our midst in the Church militant to His Church Triumphant the souls of the following:

MR. FRITZ C. NOEL:

Mr. Fritz C. Noel, a member of the Executive Committee of our Synod for more than a quarter century, was called to his Eternal Rest on April 20, 1954, following a long period of failing health. Among his many achievements may be numbered his active support in the work of our Lutheran Bible Camp, the establishment of the Lutheran Hospital Society, his generous support of the mission program of our Synod, as well as his personal interest in the welfare of the membership of our Synod. Generous with the means at his disposal many of our struggling enterprises of the Synod owe their existence to Fritz's unselfish interests. Memorial services were conducted by his Pastor, the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, at the First Lutheran Church of Glendale on April 24. He is survived by one son, Fred A. Noel, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles F. Nielsen and Mrs. C. A. Zimmerman. Interment at Forest Lawn.

MRS. LYDIA MARIE MEYER:

Mrs. Lydia Marie Meyer, wife of the Rev. Emil Meyer, passed from this life into Life Eternal in Oakland on June 15, 1954, at the age of 86 years. Born in Grand Ledge, Michigan, on September 12, 1868, she grew to young womanhood in that state. On June 30, 1892, she became the wife of the Rev. Emil Meyer with whom she served a number of congregations in the General Council. Following the merger, they served in the United Lutheran Church in America in the California Synod. Upon retirement, they made their home in Oakland, where they were affiliated with the First English Lutheran Church. Funeral services were conducted in San Jose where they had been active for many years by Pastor George Flora and Pastor C. J. Rosenquist of the Augustana Synod. She is survived by her husband and three children, Mrs. Hulda Sears, of Portland, Ore.; Mr. Luther Meyer, of Oakland; and Mrs. Lois Gardner, of Piedmont.

MRS. META AUGUSTA BROYER:

Mrs. Meta Augusta Broyer, wife of the Rev. John R. Broyer, Ph.D., pastor Emeritus of First United Lutheran Church in San Francisco, departed this life in San Francisco, July 17, 1954, after a short illness. She was born in Iowa, August 29, 1875, the youngest child of G. Christian and Dorothy Miller. She served with her husband in parishes in the Midwest and East and later in founding St. Paul's Church, Seattle. In 1913 they began the pastorate at First English Lutheran, San Francisco, later to be known as First United Church, of approximately thirty years' duration. Surviving, in addition to her beloved husband, are two sons, Nathaniel O. Broyer, of San Francisco, and Theodore C. Broyer, of Berkeley. Services at the Church were conducted by her pastor, the Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim, entombment at Olivet Memorial Park.

THE REV. PAUL H. WOLPERT:

The Rev. Paul H. Wolpert, secretary of Synod for the past ten years, was called to the Church Triumphant on July 29, 1954, while vacationing in the High Sierras with his family. The son of the Rev. and Mrs. Herman C. Wolpert, he was born at Lause-

land, Saskatchewan, in 1914. He engaged in advertising work for some years before deciding to enter the ministry. In 1935 he married the former Miss Edna B. Swanson, in the First Lutheran Church of Oakland. Ordained on July 18, 1943, at First English Lutheran Church, Sacramento, Paul served that congregation faithfully for eight and one-half years. In 1951, he was called to First Church, Fresno, which pulpit he filled until his death. He is survived by his wife and one son, Paul Edward. Funeral services were conducted by the President of Synod, Dr. Carl V. Tambert, assisted by the Rev. Milus Bonker, the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, and the Rev. Robert Romeis. Interment was at Lodi, California.

THE REV. GUY L. HUDSON:

The Rev. Guy L. Hudson was called Higher on August 29, 1954, following a lingering illness. He came to California in the 1920s where he entered the teaching profession. Feeling the call to the Holy Ministry, he entered the Pacific Seminary in Seattle, and graduated from Central Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska. He was ordained by the California Synod in 1930. He served Grace Church, Richmond, for three years before going to Beverly Hills, where he organized the congregation and served as its pastor for more than 20 years until his retirement on April 1 of this year. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. H. Paul Romeis, and Dr. Carl V. Tambert, President of Synod. Interment was at Glendale. Pastor Hudson is survived by his wife, the former Miss Greta Morene Weaver, and two sons, Colonel Guy Leonard Hudson, Jr., and Major Eugene Lawrence Hudson, both of whom are on active duty with the United States Air Force.

MRS. MARY HARTER:

Mrs. Mary Harter, wife of Pastor Norman H. Harter, retired, departed this life on September 28, 1954, at the age of 87 years. For over thirty years she was a devoted member of St. Mark's Church, Los Angeles. Besides her husband, she is survived by a son of a former marriage, Rudolph Gebicke. Funeral services were held at her former home in Peru, Illinois.

THE REV. LORENZO A. HARSHMANN:

Pastor Lorenzo A. Harshman, pastor-member of Hollywood Lutheran Church, was called Home on November 23, 1954. Born in Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania, on February 6, 1878, he attended Wittenberg College and Hamma Divinity School. He was ordained in 1907, and served congregations in Michigan, Ohio, Iowa, and Missouri before coming to California. For a number of years Pastor Harshman has been an active worker in Hollywood Church where he served as pulpit supply and interim pastor. Three months prior to his death, he moved to Oceanside, California. Funeral services were held at Forest Lawn Cemetery in the Little Church of the Flowers. Pastor Harshman is survived by his wife and a foster son, Melvin J. Madden, of Oceanside.

A fitting memorial service will be held in connection with this Convention of Synod for these our co-laborers who have been called into the Heavenly Country.

THE REV. JOHN CONRAD BITTER:

The Rev. John Conrad Bitter departed this life on January 13, 1955, in Fresno, Calif., and was laid to rest on the 17th of the month. Born on March 21, 1879, he later entered upon a period of preparation for the Gospel Ministry studying at the Seminary of Redfield College, and then at the Chicago Theological Seminary, and at Eden Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. On November 2, 1899, he married Miss Katherine E. Bitter. Ordained by the Evangelical Church, he served his first pastorate in Oklahoma from 1917 to 1921. After a pastorate in Portland, Ore., he entered the California Synod in 1923, having accepted a call from the Wartburg Lutheran Church of Fresno. He served that congregation until his retirement in 1954. He is survived by his widow and six children, five daughters, Mrs. Mary Draper of San Jose; Mrs. Emma Gilliland of Oakland; Mrs. Lydia Teeter of Fresno; and Mrs. Clare Bodenschat, of Pleasant Hill, Calif. One son, Mr. Victor Bitter, resides in San Diego. Sixteen grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren remain to mourn his passing.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence F. Crouser, Necrologist

REPORT OF THE DIVISION OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The Director of Church Extension thanks God for another year of labor in the work of Synod. The year 1954 marked the construction of First Lutheran Church of Glendale, the largest church building in Synod. This brick, structural steel and reinforced concrete building, covering an entire city block, is a supreme test of Faith and Christian Stewardship. We will continue to pray that we may, with God's help, plant a miracle in Glendale.

We rejoice that the Lord gave us the strength to erect, affecting a substantial saving, the first unit of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, San Fernando.

The construction of the new church building for Trinity Lutheran Church of Riverside has been started. The first unit of the church building for Mount of Olives Lutheran Church of Phoenix is now ready for roof trusses.

Your Director has tried to be of help to those pastors requiring his services and looks to the Lord for the grace to give a better account of himself in the service of the Kings of King. May he be the remembered man in your prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward N. Spirer. Director

Pastor Scherer presented the Report of the Statistician and moved that the report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

December 31, 1954

Fathers and Brethren:

It has been a real thrill to prepare this 11th report as your statistician. To pick just one evidence of the Spirit of God working in our midst, there was a gain of 2,715 communing members to bring Synod's communicant membership to the all-time high figure of 22,482.

Nearly all of you have been considerate and prompt beyond the call of duty. We are confident the few dilatory and slovenly reporters will amend their ways by another year.

Your heart should wake up and sing as you read through these pages of evidence of faithful work by pastors and congregations—and of the outward manifestations of God's blessings that they disclose.

The average number of confirmed members receiving Holy Communion took a healthy increase from 73.74% to 75.92%. Average giving per confirmed member dropped a ways, from $66.92 to $63.90.

First reports from churches with over 300 communicants: 1. First English, Los Angeles, A. B. Schwertz (a repeat performance); 2. La Canada, Foothills, John P. Stump; 3. San Diego, First, Erwin A. Vosseler.

Early reports from churches with less than 300 communing members: 1. Lanikai, T. H., Franklin Swanson; 2. Fresno, St. Paul's, August S. Claus; 3. A three-way tie Central Valley, St. James and Redding, United, both served by Kenneth E. Linton; Yreka, Mt. Zion, R. C. Arthur.

Especially noteworthy is the fact that we have five churches with a 100% communing list:

1. Honolulu, Pearl Harbor, Pastor James Fincher.
   (tried to claim 102% but we disallowed it)
2. Orinda, Shepherd of the Valley, Pastor Edward R. Andersen. And three missions, organized with an inspiring 100% communicants:
3. Ajo, Grace, Pastor B. A. Bjarnason.
4. El Cajon, St. John's, Pastor James P. Bishop.
5. Orange, Our Saviour's, Pastor Harold P. Schluntz.

That wonderful example ought to make the rest of us pastors do some heart-searching. Notice some of the communing gains: 201 by Van Nuys, 100 by San Diego, Christ. Let us all catch fire from such precepts.

Only one report, Honolulu, St. Paul's, Pastor Ernest W. Vetter, was so late that it could not be included in Synod's summary, and had to be marked "No Report."

For your kindnesses through the years, my sincere thanks.

Your servant in Christ,
Henry Scherer

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

SOME COMPARISONS

As of December 31, 1954

1944		1954
12,347	Baptized Members	45,965
8,518	Confirmed Members	29,482
5,212	Communing Members	22,482
41	Congregations	95
828	Catechumens	5,025
4,983	Sunday School Scholars	17,939
$ 30,709	Apportionment Paid	$ 230,609
$ 355,087	Total Expenditures	$1,883,792
$1,334,598	Property Value (Congregations only)	$9,859,794
$ 122,665	Indebtedness	$2,469,644

GAINS

Growing into the next 250 baptized members:

1750 — Sacramento, St. John's
1000 — Inglewood, Holy Trinity
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's
Phoenix, Arizona, Faith
Santa Monica, St. Paul's (back again)
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's
750 — Vallejo, St. Paul's
500 — Berkeley, St. Michael's
La Canada, Foothills
Monterey Park, St. Paul's
250 — El Monte, Redeemer
Pomona, Trinity
Redwood City, Messiah
Richmond, St. James'
San Francisco, First United (back again)

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST SYNOD GROWTH

Year	Commun. Members	Member Gain	(%)	Rank in U.L.C.A.	Apport. Paid	Rank in U.L.C.A.
1954	22,482	2,715	13.74		230,609	
1953	19,767	1,824	10.11		192,574	
1952	17,943	983	5.81	15	166,316	12
1951	16,960	1,177	7.46	15	141,995	12
1950	15,783	1,264	8.71	16	116,068	13
1949	14,519	1,083	8.06	15	106,565	10

Year	No. of Churches	Rank in U.L.C.A.	S.S. Pupils	Property Value	Total Expenditures	Rank in U.L.C.A.
1954	95		17,939	$9,859,794	$1,883,792	
1953	88		15,613	7,443,266	1,776,502	
1952	83	16	14,492	6,493,452	1,537,523	11
1951	79	16	13,013	5,555,885	1,266,779	13
1950	72	17	11,925	4,649,978	1,139,078	12
1949	66	16	9,683	4,164,863	1,077,984	12

GAINS

Growing into the next 250 confirmed members:

1000 — Long Beach, Trinity
500 — Riverside, Trinity
San Diego, Christ
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's
Whittier, Salem
250 — Altadena, Altadena
Manhattan Beach, Trinity
Monterey Park, St. Paul's
San Diego, St. Peter's
Santa Ana, United

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP IN PACIFIC SOUTHWEST SYNOD

Year	Churches with communicant membership of 100-199	200-299	300 and up	Largest Congregation	
1894	5	1	none	San Francisco, First Eng.	252
1899	2	3	none	San Francisco, First Eng.	216
1904	2	2	1	Sacramento, St. John's	310
1909	4	none	2	Los Angeles, First Eng.	323
1914	6	none	3	Fresno, Wartburg	436
1919	7	3	1	Los Angeles, First Eng.	484
1924	11	2	2	Los Angeles, First Eng.	650
1929	14	3	2	Fresno, St. Paul's	433
1934	13	3	1	Hollywood	336
1939	12	6	3	Hollywood	400
1944	8	11	7	Glendale	578
1949	23	6	18	Glendale	1008
1954	22	14	27	Sacramento, St. John's	1058

GAINS

Growing into the next 100 communing members:

1000 — Sacramento, St. John's

700 — Richmond, Grace

500 — North Hollywood, St. Matthew's
San Diego, Christ
Tucson, Arizona, Our Saviour's
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's

400 — Fresno, First
Hollywood, Hollywood (back again)
Pasadena, Trinity (back again)
Whittier, Salem

300 — La Canada, Foothills
Los Angeles, Advent (back again)
San Leandro, Epiphany
Santa Monica, St. Paul's (back again)

200 — Monterey Park, St. Paul's
San Jose, Bethany
Santa Ana, United

100 — Alhambra, Our Saviour's
Downey, Christ
Fresno, Faith
Orinda, Shepherd-of-the-Valley
Richmond, St. James (back again)

COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP OF AVERAGE CONGREGATION

Year	ULCA	Gain over last year	% Communing	Calif. Synod	Gain over last year	% Communing
1944	211	4	66.91	188	15	60.35
1945	215	4	67.06	195	7	62.59
1946	224	9	68.26	207	12	65.91
1947	225	1	68.01	213	6	70.67
1948	227	2	69.06	220	7	68.92
1949	230	3	69.42	220	0	70.56
1950	234	4	69.59	219	—1	70.92
1951	236	2	69.68	215	—4	70.76
1952	240	4	70.34	216	1	72.96
1953				225	9	73.74
1954				237	12	75.92

Motion prevailed that Recommendation No. 1 of Executive Committee Report be adopted.

1. That the following congregations be received into the membership of the Synod:
   Grace Lutheran Church, Ajo, Arizona.
   Luther Memorial, Fresno, California.
   Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mountain View, California.
   Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Orange, California.
   Our Savior's Lutheran Church, West Covina, California.
   St. John's Lutheran Church, El Cajon, California.
   St. John's Lutheran Church of Kailua, Lanikai, T. H.

Pastor Simmons read greetings from the following:

Mr. Leo Johnston Dr. Trabert Dr. Beasom
Dr. Anspach Dr. Steinhoff

Motion prevailed that cards be sent to our Pastors who are ill and that they be remembered in prayer by the Convention Chaplain. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter to Dr. Beasom.

Pastor Scherch brought greetings also from Dr. Andreas Bard.

Professor Mumm of Pacific Seminary was introduced. Professor Mumm will lead the Bible study during the Convention.

Motion prevailed to adjourn. The Chaplain led in prayer.

THIRD SESSION

January 25, 1955 — 8:30 A.M.

The third session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "Cut to the Heart."

Professor Mumm presented the Bible Study.

Following the Bible Study the delegation saw the movie "Day of Triumph," a Cathedral Film Production. Theme: Evangelism.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented.

The Conferences met in separate sessions.

Mr. Bernard Wahl's name was withdrawn as a nominee for Treasurer of Synod.

Dr. J. George Dorn and the Rev. George Spindt were added to the nominees of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Board.

Mr. Uel Murphy's name was added to the list of nominees of the Lutheran Leadership Training Board.

The Rev. John Steinhaus was added as a nominee for Secretary.

Mr. Benjamin H. Brockie was added to the list of nominees of the Lay Executive Committee of Synod.

Dr. Fred Smith of the Lutheran Welfare Service of Southern California and Mr. Paul Karlstrom from California Hospital Society spoke briefly.

Following this, the Social Missions Committee report was presented at the Luncheon by Pastor Holand.

FOURTH SESSION

January 25, 1:45 P.M.

The fourth session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "What We Miss—But God Sees."

Motion prevailed that the mimeographed minutes of the previous sessions be approved with minor corrections.

Motion prevailed that the minutes should be Air-mailed every day to our Missionaries, Chaplains, and ill Pastors.

The Rev. Robert Romeis introduced the Rev. Charles F. Oehler, ninety-one years of age and a former President of Synod. Pastor Oehler brought greetings to the Convention.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FAITH AND LIFE

The Committee on Faith and Life met twice during the past year (July and August), bringing certain matters to the attention of the Executive Committee, and giving study to other subjects on some of which conclusions were reached leading to the following recommendations to Synod.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. We recommend that the summary of the reports on the Manifested Life of the congregations, plus comments and suggestions by this Committee, be distributed at this meeting of Synod and that every congregation be urged to study it for self-examination and improvement.

2. We urge every congregation to take part wholeheartedly in the coming lay evangelism campaigns as it has opportunity in the areas.

3. We continue to encourage every family within our congregation in the practice of family devotions. The Committee plans to arrange a demonstration at Synod as to the "how" of doing this and hopes that all present will disseminate what they have observed.

4. In the present woeful lack of understanding of the meaning of the Christian marriage we recommend to every pastor that he give full counsel to all applicants for marriage, and that he give due heed to the position of the Church before agreeing to the marriage of a divorced person.

5. We commend to every one interested in the spiritual health of the Church, pastors and laymen, the book **"Thy Mission High Fulfilling"** (Lufberry), an outgrowth of the United Lutheran Church's survey of the Manifested Life of the congregations.

REQUEST:

1. We request from the parishes, pastors, committees, officials, and, indeed, any one, suggestions of subjects and methods for study by this Committee so that it may serve more fully in its accepted field, which is the spiritual welfare of Synod and the strengthening of the faith and life of pastors and congregations. And we would appreciate reports as to whether we have helped, or failed to help, in our suggestions, especially in respect to the Faith and Life summary.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter M. Ruccius, Chairman
Lyle Burns, George Dorn,
Quentin Garman, Charles Miley.

Motion prevailed that the Report on Faith and Life be adopted.

FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE SUGGESTIONS

(Based on Manifested Life of the Congregation reports)

WORSHIP

VESPER SERVICES HELD—8 (Only 8 among more than 80 congregations!) The possibility of an evening service should be studied in your congregation.

HOW FREQUENTLY WAS HOLY COMMUNION OFFERED IN 1952?
Weekly—3, Monthly—25, Quarterly—21, Bi-monthly—11, Festival Days—11, Seasonal—6, Other—4.
Those congregations offering communion less frequently than once a month are urged to consider the possibility of having more frequent communion services.

IS THE REPORT ON COMMUNING MEMBERS DETERMINED BY AN ACCURATE RECORD?
Yes—74, No—3.
An accurate communion record is essential to the life of the local and general church. Each congregation should maintain a complete and accurate record.

EVANGELISM

WHAT WAS THE CONFIRMED MEMBERSHIP ON DEC. 31, 1952? 22,840.

HOW MANY OF THESE CONFIRMED MEMBERS COMMUNED DURING 1952? 15,830.
A comparison of the above figures shows a distressing gap between the number

of confirmed and communing members. An intensive effort to close this gap is recommended.

WHAT PERCENTAGE OF PASTORAL CALLING IN 1952 WAS DIRECTED TOWARD THOSE WHO DID NOT BELONG TO ANY CHURCH?

10-24%—12; 25-49%—18; 50-74%—35;
75-100%—7.

More emphasis in pastoral calling could be given to the unchurched where the percentage is less than 50%.

DO YOU CONFIRM ALL ADULT MEMBERS RECEIVED, OTHER THAN THOSE RECEIVED BY TRANSFER FROM LUTHERAN CONGREGATIONS? Yes—50; No—28

DO YOU GIVE CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION TO SUCH ADULTS? Yes—72; No—4

Instructions to adults before uniting with our Lutheran congregation is imperative. A refresher course for Lutherans transferring from one congregation to another is strongly recommended and also for reclaiming the lapsed members.

ACCESSIONS FROM THE WORLD—908—LOSSES TO THE WORLD—977.

Last year we lost more people to the world than we gained from the world. This is alarimng. Evidently too little effort is being directed toward the winning of the unchurched.

WHAT PROVISION DO YOU MAKE FOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE MOVED FROM YOUR PARISH?

Direct contact with pastor at new residence—58

Advance information to the member—56

Use of "Service of Godspeed"—8

Report to the ULCA Membership Transfer Department—19

The use of the ULCA Membership Transfer Department is urged, also notification of the nearest Pastor by mail that a member has moved to his community.

ORGANIZATION

REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE CONGREGATION IS RECOMMENDED AS NEW MODEL CONSTITUTIONS ARE PROVIDED

AUXILIARIES

Women's Missionary Society? Yes—75, No—2
Affiliated with Synodical organization? Yes—66, No—4

Luther League? Yes—68, No—11
Affiliated with Synodical organization? Yes—52, No—20

Brotherhood? Yes—47, No—21
Affiliated with national organization? Yes—17, No—38

All congregations should encourage the auxiliaries to affiliate with the Synodical or national organization.

SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Boy Scouts—12, Girl Scouts—9, Cub Scouts—1.

Scouting organizations are encouraged very strongly in the congregations for the purpose of assimilation as well as evangelization.

DO ALL AUXILIARIES AND ORGANIZATIONS REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION? Yes—72, No—4

REPORT TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL? Yes—45, No—21

It has proven in many congregations a very valuable addition to the church-wide organization to have the congregational auxiliaries report to the church council on program and finances. Church auxiliaries and organizations should be geared to the primary work of the church. Membership in the congregation should mean membership in either the men's or women's auxiliary. In many congregations this is automatic.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION HOW MUCH CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION IS GIVEN TO CHILDREN?

No. of years	No. weeks per year	No. hours per week
1 year — 37	24 weeks — 3	1 hour — 40
1½ years — 2	26 weeks — 5	2 hours — 11
2 years — 37	28 weeks — 3	1½ hours — 19
3 years — 1	30 weeks — 12	3 hours — 1
	32 weeks — 8	
	35 weeks — 4	
	36 weeks — 11	
	39 weeks — 5	
	52 weeks — 3	
	40 weeks — 7	

The 2 year confirmation course is strongly encouraged. Every prospective member should have instruction before uniting with the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND NUMBER UNBAPTIZED

Ages 1- 3	1916	201
Ages 4- 5	2191	244
Ages 6- 8	2013	300
Ages 9-11	2501	206

Unbaptized children in the church school are a natural lead to contacting the parents for Christ and His church. Each congregation should have a complete record of the unbaptized children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND NUMBER CONFIRMED

Ages 12-14	1443	298
Ages 15-17	861	403
Ages 18-23	430	182
Ages 24 up	1842	1358

There are too many unconfirmed young people within our church school. Let them be brought to membership wherever possible.

WHAT WAS THE AVERAGE ATTENDANCE IN YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL IN 1952? 113. The Sunday School attendance is lamentably small. Let us seek out the children and nurture them in the Christian faith.

HOW MANY MEMBERS HAVE ENTERED FULL TIME CHURCH SERVICE SINCE JAN. 1, 1947? (45) DOES THE CONGREGATION MAKE SPECIAL EFFORTS TO ENLIST FULL TIME CHURCH WORKERS? Yes—58, No—13.

With the advantage of a seminary on the territory of our synod, we need to intensify efforts to win young men and women for full time Christian service. Pastors or groups of Pastors should be encouraged to invite Seminary professors to stimulate interest in full time service.

IS THERE A LEADERSHIP TRAINING COURSE? Yes—50, No—29, Congregational—32, Cooperative Lutheran—17, Interdenomination—21.

Each congregation should consider having a Lutheran Leadership Training Course once a year for Church School teachers.

FINANCES

IS CHRISTIAN TITHING REGULARLY STRESSED? Yes—56, No—11.

Christian tithing is recommended for regular emphasis.

DOES YOUR CONGREGATION USE THE WEEKLY SYSTEM? Yes—76, No—3.

Single pocket	Yes — 71	No — 27
Duplex	Yes — 44	No — 6
Triplex	Yes — 22	No — 19

Mission congregations are particularly encouraged to use the triplex envelope which has one pocket for the building fund. Sunday Schools should be urged to use the duplex Sunday School envelopes.

ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Congregations are encouraged to consider membership in the local council of churches, thus strengthening the united Protestant witness.
2. Mid-week Bible classes throughout the whole synod.
3. Christian Growth Series in use in a great majority of our church schools is group graded instead of class graded. Church school teachers need to bear this in mind.

Motion prevailed that the following reports be adopted as they appear in the bulletin:

"The Lutheran"
Social Missions
Foreign Missions
Social Missions of Southern Conference
Minutes of Synod
Church Vocations
Stewardship
Church Music
Reporter to "The Lutheran"
Women's Fellowship of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged
Examining Committee
Women's Auxiliary of Pacific Seminary
Report on U.L.C.A. Convention at Toronto
Publicity
Luther League Advisors
Parish Education
Women's Organizations

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON "THE LUTHERAN"

The Lutheran Synodical Plan was in effect during three month period of October, November, December. During this time the yearly subscription rate was reduced from $3.50 a year to $2.00.

As of December 16, 33 lists were received with a total of 1,597 subscriptions, 58 congregations were as yet unreported. Six of the lists thus far are a hundred per cent.

Circulation figures for our Synod are as follows: 1951—1745; 1952—2585; 1953—2792; 1954—3423.

The growth of this program is evidence that this fine news magazine is fulfilling one of the real needs of our people.

Respectfully submitted,
Eldon R. Miller, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SOCIAL MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Social Missions Committee recommends that Synod go on record as expressing appreciation to the Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America for the grants extended to our Lutheran Welfare Service of Northern California and to our Lutheran Welfare Service of Southern California in 1954, and for the assurance of further aid in 1955, amounting to $800.00 for the work in the North and $200.00 for the South.

Since the budgets of the above mentioned organizations require a $1,000.00 each from The United Lutheran Church in America or from Synod in order to carry on their work on a minimum basis, your committee recommends that Synod apportion $200.00 to meet the necessary $1,000.00 for the work in the North and $800.00 for the work in the South.

Your committee, upon the request of the Society of Social Missions of the Southern Conference of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of California, recommends that the necessary steps be taken to dissolve that organization.

We also recommend that in 1955 further study be made of the relationships between the Social Missions Committee of Synod and the Social Missions Committees of the various Conferences of Synod.

The subject of Evangelism was given major emphasis at the Southern Conference meeting October 21 and 22. An inter-Synodical committee is laying plans for an evangelism campaign on territory of Synod October 30 to November 4, 1955. Adequate time for prayer and planning for this should be arranged by pastors and congregations

A most successful workshop on Industrial Relations was held in Los Angeles January 11, 1954 at which outstanding leaders of labor and management participated.

One of the accomplishments of the Lutheran Welfare Service of Southern California during the past year was the establishment of a Public Relations Committee.

The pastors of Synod are urged to present the total field of social work to their young people, especially during the month of October.

Our Synod has been honored through the election at the Toronto Convention of Pastor John Stump as a member of the Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America.

The Social Missions Committee which met periodically throughout 1954 is planning regular monthly meetings in 1955 for as many of the members as can attend. These meetings, scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month, will be open to any pastor or layman who wishes to participate in the work of the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Clifford B. Holand, Chairman

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee on Foreign Missions met once during the year, and outlined a letter to the churches of Synod indicating the resources for speakers on the territory of Synod, to be sent to the churches before January.

Letters of greeting were sent, after the Sixty-Third Annual Convention of Synod, to our foreign missionaries, Albert Alsop and Gene Vosseler.

As of December 13, 1954, the following churches of Synod have availed themselves of the special privilege of support of missionaries, parishes and proteges:

MISSIONARY SUPPORT:	St. Matthew's, North Hollywood (Rev. E. Gene Vosseler, British Guiana)	$300
	St. John's, Sacramento (Rev. Albert Alsop, Argentina)	$600
	First, San Diego (Rev. E. Gene Vosseler, British Guiana)	$300
PARISH ABROAD:	First, Glendale	$100
	Trinity, Long Beach	$ 50
	Christ, San Diego	$100
PROTEGE SUPPORT:	First, Glendale	$ 10

In addition, $1,880 has been forwarded to Patron and Protege work of the Women's Missionary Society through the Synodical Society. Contributions of the individual churches will be found in the report of the Women's Missionary Society.

The Board of Foreign Missions has adopted a Special Gift Program, effective as of January 1, 1955 which drastically revises the Patron and Protege program. Permission to present a summary of this new program, in connection with the report of the Committee, would be appreciated.

The Treasurer's Report does not show offerings received in the Foreign Mission Appeal in January. This may indicate lack of interest in the Congregations of Synod. We recommend that all congregations use the materials available to present effectively the work of the Church Overseas during the Epiphany Season.

Respectfully submitted,
George R. Flora, Chairman

THE SOCIETY OF SOCIAL MISSIONS OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

1954 TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand January 1, 1954	$ 536.73	
Receipts:		
Samaritan Society	300.00	$ 836.73
Disbursements:		
Individual Relief, California Lutheran Home	240.00	
Family Relief	300.00	
Board of Social Missions, U.L.C.A. Subscriptions to "Message for a Day"	45.00	585.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1954		$ 251.73

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Nels C. Rostad, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF THE 1954 CONVENTION

Careful study and consideration has been given by the Committee to the Minutes and Proceedings of the Sixty-third Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest, held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Long Beach, California, February 1-4, 1954. We found the printed proceedings in good order and complete.

Much of the credit for these complete printed proceedings goes to the efforts of the late Pastor Paul H. Wolpert, Secretary of Synod. We join with many others in expressing our regrets that he has been called to his eternal reward during the year and also express our sympathies as a committee to his beloved family.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Linton, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

With the adoption of the new Synodical Constitution, the name of the Committee on Ministerial Education now becomes the committee on Church Vocations. The duties of this committee have been to seek out and to encourage young men and women to give themselves to full-time Church vocations.

As a Committee we have compiled a list of the Synod's ministerial candidates in both college and seminary. The list is by no means as complete as we want it to be. The reason being that some students are in training for the ministry and have not been put in contact with this committee.

We have interviewed many students and helped them in finding themselves. Assistance here has been given by Dr. Wickey and the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in providing a psychological testing service for all of our students who are in college preparing for the ministry. This shows strong and weak points to the students and helps them to get both feet on the ground.

We have assisted students in need with Synodical aid based on the need of the students. Through the Board of Education of the ULCA we have been able to provide some travel expense for some of these students.

We have prepared and now have for consideration at this meeting of Synod Rules for the Certification and supervision of ministerial students, procedures concerning beneficiary students, and draft deferment procedures for ministerial students. These will be available to each pastor as well as the ministerial student who seeks certification as a ministerial student from this Synod.

As we receive the grades of the students at college, we are thus able to give encouragement when it is necessary.

The majority of our Seminary students are at Pacific Lutheran Seminary. We have one at Central Seminary in Fremont, one at Northwestern in Minneapolis, possibly one or two in other Lutheran seminaries.

The following names are carried on our list of Synodical ministerial students:

Donald Albert
Wm. Anderson
Robert Beckstrom
Bliss Bellinger
Stan Califf
W. C. Crouser
Bruce Craft
Gil Dossi
Don DeBelle
Wm. Dowling
Paul Erickson
Helmut Fuchs
Ervin Florance
Larry Flora
James Grant
Richard Goerges
Eddie Hrbicek
Eugene Jewell
Bertrand Johnson
Wm. Klover
Richard Knudten
Wm. Loshuertos
John Lindstrom
Guy Mehl
Dennis Musselman
Wm. Moreman
Fay Miller
Ray Nassen
Harold Price
Ed Ray
Carl Ruud
Fred Ranlett
Herbert Ringo
Gene Samuelson
Paul Scherer
Frank Schmitt
Mike Schon
Gerald Schultz
David Smith
Walter Stuhr
Ray Stifler
Christian Thearle
Ben Torres, Jr.
Ed Valbracht
Robert Varblow
Roger Veum
John Wetzel
Ted Youngerman
Patricia Chafin
In training for Diaconate
Jeanne Miksch
In training for Diaconate

Other names possibly should be added to this list. Our sincere thanks and appreciation for the fine cooperation and help of the President of Synod and his office and the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church and its executive secretary, Dr. Gould Wickey.

The cause of Christian Higher education and more particularly seeking the very best for the Lord's work should constantly be in every pastor's heart.

The Chairman of this Committee on Church Vocations has been a member ex-officio of the Examining Committee of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur W. Alm, Chairman
Walter Ruccius
Ray Nickel
Herman Lucas
Albert Schwertz

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

As this report goes to press seventy-three pastors reported to the Committee that Stewardship received or is receiving special emphasis in their congregations. In practically every instance the materials made available by the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship have been or are being used. Many congregations used the materials and suggestions of the LLM rather closely and reported satisfactory results, and some emphasized excellent attainments. One congregation uses its own materials exclusively, based on years of experience, and with happy results. At any rate stewardship is being emphasized.

Most congregations engaged in an every-member-visitation. A variety of activities related to stewardship included not only visitation, but also Church group meetings, dinner meetings and cottage fellowship. In some instances pledge cards are mailed and returned to the Church for blessing on certain dates and during a special point in the worship service. Whatever the method employed, it is obvious that steward-

ship is receiving special attention in our congregations. We urge the use of the helps afforded through the **Lutheran Laymen's Movement** on a continuing basis.

Apart from the mechanics of the stewardship and financial effort the Committee would counsel that Stewardship in its finer aspects is not only concerned with the gathering of gold and silver to underwrite budgets, but calls for a committment to the total life in Christ. Stewardship is based on love and devotion to God, to witnessing and to the practical every day demonstration of a life lived in fellowship with the Lord. Apart from the spiritual impact stewardship degenerates into a financial program only. Stewardship thus embraces the total response of the individual to the love of God all the time and not just at periodic seasons of the year.

Members of the committee were used by various Congregations during the autumn and early winter season in assisting their fellows in the stewardship program.

Respectfully submitted,
(Rev.) William W. Klover, Chairman
(Rev.) H. Paul Romeis
(Rev.) Kenneth C. Senft
(Rev.) Glen O. Balsley
(Mrs.) Ida Thomas
(Mr.) John E. Miller
(Mr.) Gene Hoeftman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

The Committee had one meeting during the year, in Los Angeles, in connection with the installation of the President of Synod. We discussed the introduction of the new hymnal, and the committee expressed its desire to cooperate with the department of worship of the U.L.C.A. in acquainting the Synod with the new hymnal. We also discussed the organization of a Synod-wide organization for church musicians with the view to encouraging them in the fulfillment of their responsibilities, and in a growing proficiency in their work.

The Committee was responsible for the arrangement of the installation service in Los Angeles, and has also answered questions, provided information on organs, choir vestments, music, etc., at the request of individual pastors and music committee members.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles P. Smith, Chairman

REPORT OF THE REPORTER TO "THE LUTHERAN"

During the year 1954, we have submitted ten regular news reports to the Editor of The Lutheran covering the happenings of the Synod and its congregations and its people. We were alloted the above number reportings and we did not miss one of them.

Also during the year there have been stories about our congregations, pastors and activities of Synod which we did not submit. One must conclude rapidly, if he reads **The Lutheran** that we receive a very generous amount of space throughout the year.

We must apologize for seeming to include more events from the Southern Conference than any other. However, this is chiefly because we are closer to that group. We do check with the offices of Synod each time before submitting material to the Philadelphia office of **The Lutheran.** We are very eager to submit whatever you send us, not guaranteeing that it will always be used or even used in the way in which you send it to us.

A number of congregations send us their Bulletins. News Sheets or Parish Papers and in this way we can glean what we feel is news and send same in without any special word from you. We shall welcome receiving more of these sources.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommend that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to send a letter of appreciation to the Editor and Staff of **The Lutheran** for their friendly cooperation in a very complete coverage of the newsworthy events of our Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard L. Logan, Reporter

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

The Women's Fellowship is gratefully reporting a year full of activity, in its service to the California Lutheran Home. Our Home has been richly blessed by Our Lord and Saviour through our efforts. Membership and interest has grown in proportion and, with a building expansion program definitely set, contributions to that fund have been accelerated. This past year the Chapters have contributed a total of $5,096.10. Of this sum $1,437.85 was given in memorials alone.

The Fall Ingathering under the sponsorship of the Fellowship brought in 5,521 items of food, valued at $1,303, cash gifts amounting to $332.40 were also received. This generous stocking of the Home's pantry is gratefully acknowledged.

The Los Angeles Chapter held its annual festival gathering September 26 through the kind courtesy of the Jebbia family, on the grounds of the Jebbia Estate. Mrs. William W. Klover, General Chairman, planned a gala event of fellowship and festivity using a Spanish fiesta theme. It was estimated that a thousand guests attended. The total receipts were $2,046.11, of which $1,338.00 were patron gifts.

The Valley Chapter held its annual membership luncheon meeting in February. The Bay Area held an annual membership tea. Increased interest and progress in these areas was definitely marked by the excellent attendance and fine spirit.

Through Fellowship promotion, the Home "family" has been visited by many groups and organizations this past year. Many hundreds of gifts have been given by individuals and organizations, all of which, it is hoped, have been recognized through the pages of the **Sunset Herald,** the official bulletin of our Home. Thanks again to our fine editor, Mrs. Charles Izenour, for all her loyal and devoted service in publishing all our activities.

A summary of the activities of the Women's Fellowship indicates a consecrated effort by all its members to serve to the best of their ability in this particular field of His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorcas T. Dentman, Synodical Director

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

The Examining Committee has held four meetings since the last Synodical Convention at Long Beach, California in February, 1954. One of these meetings, quasi-official in nature, was held in conjunction with the meeting of the Southern Conference in October.

Ten candidates for Ordination appeared before our Committee for Examination and were recommended to the Executive Committee for Ordination. One middler was recommended for a three month licensure to serve in Hawaii.

On December 15, 1954, the Examining Committee met at the Seminary in Berkeley for the purpose of conducting a preliminary examination of five seniors, subject to final oral and written examinations to be held in April, 1955, upon receipt of a call to a congregation in the Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

During the past year, three men came to us for consultation and advice.

Respectfully submitted,
Erwin A. Vosseler, Chairman
Edward F. Valbracht, Secretary

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Women's Auxiliary is completing its third year of service and our first thought is one of gratitude to our Lord for His guidance and blessing on our efforts.

At the Annual Meeting held on March 9, 1954, a check for $2500 was presented to Dr. Foelsch for the furnishing of the single men's dormitory and in August an additional $1,000.00 was added to this amount, thereby completing the 1953 project. The 1954 project, the furnishing of the married men's dormitory for which $1200.00 was to be given, was also completed by December 31st.

Our membership is now over 1500 and we are most grateful for the work done by the Key Women in the various congregations from Sitka, Alaska to San Diego, California, and from Hawaii to Phoenix, Arizona. There are still some congregations who do not participate in this program and we are now working on a plan for regional contact women to supplement the work of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board, which has given most generously of its time, held five meetings during the year. Through the following member churches, the Auxiliary also served as hostess at various functions held at the Seminary: Shepherd of the Hills, Berkeley, St. James and Grace, Richmond, St. Mark's, San Francisco, and Grace and Bethany, San Jose.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Albert L. H. Gercke, President

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH CONVENTION

Meeting for the first time outside the United States, the United Lutheran Church in America assembled for its nineteenth biennial convention in Toronto, Canada, October 6-13. The eighteen delegates of our Synod faithfully attended each of the sessions which frequently were extended to give further study to proposed revisions in the Church's organizational structure. Several pastors and laymen from our Synod were present in addition to the delegates. The official role of the convention listed 330 clerical delegates (perfect attendance), 329 lay delegates, 7 representatives from Affiliated Churches and 6 observers from smaller synods.

After the formal opening of the convention, the Synod of the Central States (formed by a merger of the Kansas, Nebraska and Midwest Synods totaling 179 congregations and 80,000 baptized members) was received as a constituent synod of the ULCA.

Dr. Franklin Clark Fry was re-elected for his sixth term as President of the Church. As the Committee on the President's Report and the Resolutions Committee made their reports, the convention enthusiastically expressed its appreciation to Dr. Fry for his magnanimous leadership during the past ten years. The reports also noted his Christian statesmanship on a world-wide basis by calling attention to his high offices in the Lutheran World Federation and the World Council of Churches. Dr. Reinartz and Dr. Wagner were also overwhelmingly re-elected for another term as secretary and treasurer respectively.

The Synod was honored to have Pastor John P. Stump elected to the Board of Social Missions, Dr. Charles B. Foelsch elected to the Board of American Missions and Mr. Robert Cummings elected to the board of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship.

The Committee on Organizational Structure presented their report after eighteen months of studying the organization and structure of the church and its auxiliaries. An unexpected number of the 118 recommendations were acted upon. With impartiality and patience, President Fry guided the convention through a labyrinth of parliamentary procedures with admirable ability. The convention modified the trend for the centrali-

zation of authority to a considerable extent. A portion of the recommendations will come before the next convention of the Church. Further study is to be given the report after the present constitutional changes are acted upon by the synods.

An enthusiastic interest in evangelism was clearly evident. The plan of the Board of Social Missions to conduct a thorough program of evangelism was warmly received with $528,974 provided for its implamentation in the budget for the next biennium. The program calls for the presentation of the plan at the 1955 conventions of the synods and preparation of the necessary materials. In 1956, workshops will be conducted for pastors and laymen and in 1957 a Lutheran Evangelism Mission will be conducted in every congregation.

Your delegation's hearts were thrilled when, after considerable debate, the stewardship level of the Church was raised. The proposed budget for the next biennium was raised 26 per cent by the anxious delegates in the closing sessions to provide greater funds for the work of the church, especially for home missions and pensions. A budget of $7,587,944 was established for 1956 and $7,633,579 for 1957. Sixty per cent of Part II of the budget was designated for home missions. In the last session, it was proposed from the floor that, at the 40th anniversary convention in 1958, a motion would be made to double the benevolence.

Everyone was gratefully aware of the outstanding work done by the new Department of Press, Radio and Television. Convenient kits, daily summaries and thorough coverage by all leading wire services made it the best reported and most efficient convention of the Church. Charles Hushaw, formerly of our Synod, directs this new department.

The convention was informed that the new hymnal would be available in its first edition in Advent of 1955. A separate lectionary will provide the lessons in both the King James and Revised Standard versions.

Mention must be made of the honored presence of Bishop Berggrav who delivered the communion message; the exceedingly gracious hospitality of our Canadian brethren; and the unusually active participation of a larger number of both laymen and pastors in the business of the Church.

The 1956 convention is expected to be held in Harrisburg, Pa.

Your delegation was certainly aware of its responsibility for the representation of the Synod. In committee work, various auxiliary meetings, as well as on the floor of the convention, active participation was manifested. It was an exhausting but a very thrilling privilege.

Respectfully submitted,
Milus W. Bonker
For the delegation

REPORT OF THE PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

During the past year, hundreds of stories about the activities of our churches, church leaders, and organizations have been sent to newspapers throughout the area served by the PACIFIC SOUTHWEST SYNOD.

Since every newspaper is most interested in local happenings, these releases have been limited mainly to community doings and matters of interest in the area. That, of course, is the way it should be. Most of our publicity should stress YOUR CHURCH and its contributions to community life in your city.

However, we have had some regional and national news to report this year. The outstanding event undoubtedly was election and installation of a new President, which brought many of the nation's church leaders.

Stories describing the meetings, some with photographs of the principals, went out to hundreds of newspapers through the Associated and United Press Services. In addition, personalized stories were sent to the home cities of various of the Lutheran leaders that took part.

Releases were likewise sent to church publications throughout the U.S.A., and we feel certain that a large proportion gave them some space.

In addition to the news stories, a number of our churches, during 1954, used paid space in their local papers. This is an activity which your committee constantly has advocated, suggesting that some advertising be included in the budget wherever that is possible.

Dignified advertising can add to the prestige of a church and help attract additional members. It is of special importance to our Synod, since we have so many coming out here from the midwest and east—folks who are looking for a church. Many of them will turn to their newspapers or the classified telephone book for information.

In the past, there has been some committee discussion about making available to our pastors and public relations workers a group of small newspaper mats or ads. This idea is now under consideration by the Publicity and Radio chairman of The United Lutheran Church. Your committee has submitted a series of 26 such advertisements, and we understand that the plan has been approved and that your committee will be asked to complete the job shortly. The ads will then be made available early in 1955 to all the churches of the national organization, according to preliminary information.

Respectfully submitted,
P. O. Narveson, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SYNODICAL LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

The Synodical Luther League suffered in leadership this past year as its President was drafted into the armed services shortly after he took office. Miss Ima Williamson, vice president, has, however, effectively carried on in his place.

The Synodical Convention was held at Culver City, California with Grace Church as host. Two special features marked the Convention: The leadership and speakers were entirely laymen, with the theme "Laymen Calling to Youth"; The Sunday Worship Service was conducted entirely by youth and was televised over KTTV.

The following officers were elected:

President—James Miley, Sacramento
Vice President—Barbara Smith, Phoenix
Corresponding Secretary—Janeene Tambert, Glendale
Treasurer—Dennis Musselman, Culver City

The 1955 Convention will be held at Faith Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona, over Labor Day week-end.

Respectfully submitted,
William Herbert Blough,
Synodical League Advisor

REPORT OF NORTHERN CONFERENCE LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

The annual convention of the Northern Conference Luther League was held at First Lutheran Church, Fresno, California, May 15, 1954. It was the largest conference convention held in Northern California with over one hundred forty attending.

Peter Knoles was re-elected President and Beverly Acker was elected secretary.

Under the leadership of Peter Knoles, the Northern Conference Luther League is being rejuvenated, and another year of aggressive leadership, growth and accomplishment will take place in the building of the Kingdom of God.

The past year has been marked by many activities, growth and the meeting of the financial commitments in full. Many of the Luther Leagues sponsored the Caravaners and those Luther Leagues derived much inspiration and help from these youths.

It is our prayer that pastors and churches will continue to support and encourage the youth of the Church and for all to grow in Grace.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert S. Hidy, Jr., Advisor

REPORT OF SOUTHERN CONFERENCE LUTHER LEAGUE ADVISOR

Interest, enthusiasm, and inspiration keynoted the activities of the Southern District Luther League during the past year: Estimated attendance, 400 at the February 21 Rally at Ascension Lutheran Church, Baldwin Park, the Rev. Gerald Pedersen, pastor; at the November 7 Rally at St. John's Lutheran Church in Gardena, the Rev. Harold J. Lorimer, pastor. 350 Leaguers were present at the May Convention held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Inglewood, the Rev. J. Benner Weaver, pastor. Excellent and inspiring services and programs were well planned by the Leaguers.

The Southern District adopted Yolijwa for its special project for 1955 and plans are underway for all Leagues to take a significant part in the building of the new Camp site.

Officers for the year were:

President—Edward Wallace
Vice President—Carolyn Hackamack
Corresponding Secretary—Carol Larson
Recording Secretary—Ann Sillman
Treasurer—Joan Smith

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Meyer, Advisor

REPORT OF THE PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE

For the first time in our Synod Confirmation Rallies were held in the Spring of the year. The Arizona Conference held its Rally pre-Easter; the four other Rallies were held preceding Pentecost. These rallies were fairly well attended, particularly for the first time. It is probable that additional rallies will be held in 1955 in the San Diego and Riverside areas. In 1954 they were held in Phoenix, Sacramento, Los Angeles, Fresno, and the Bay Area. In four out of five instances, members of the Parish Education Committee of Synod were chairmen of area Confirmation Rallies.

Miss Catherine Juram was the 1954 field representative of the Parish Education Board of the ULCA. She presented the year's emphases of the Board, "New Ventures in Parish Education, the Weekday Church School and the Activity Programs," at eleven area meetings throughout Synod from November 7 to 22. Miss Juram also held about a dozen private conferences with pastors, teachers' groups, and the like, in addition to the area meetings. Her counsel was much appreciated, and she in turn was gratified at the response of pastors and people to her visits.

The Committee continued to distribute throughout Synod, to pastors and congregations requesting them, film-strips and records on teacher training and how to teach the Bible, as well as one film-strip on the Weekday Church School. These are most worthwhile, and should be used even more by Workers' Conferences, etc.

The Committee also promoted the use of "The Parish School," the fine monthly magazine on parish education, in congregations of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Titus R. Schall, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

The work of the Women of the Church stressing "Making His Way Known Through Evangelism" has been felt throughout the territory of Synod as well as in foreign mission fields. A gracious God has favored their every effort in that He has gloriously answered many of their prayers.

This past year the Women's Missionary Society of the Pacific Southwest gave one unit of support ($600.00) to Miss Newdoerffer, Nurse in India, and published a local bulletin, which brings news of the societies of Synod quarterly.

This year two new Conferences were organized which will facilitate work in Arizona and Hawaii.

A great deal of fruitful effort was expended in the support of Pacific Lutheran Seminary and The California Lutheran Home for the Aged. If it were not for the Women of the Church these institutions would be compelled to forgo many necessities now made available through Synod wide participation.

Other faithful women throughout the church labor in many fields, the Church School, the Luther League and in choirs, ever doing the one thing needful. Your committee highly commends these loyal souls for their unfailing love of the Kingdom and the Master, their Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Heinecken, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

What has happened in Berkeley at the Seminary is a continuing miracle of God. One should not forget the vision of a number of our men in urging the establishment of a seminary on the West Coast. In less than three years, the two Synods who own and operate the Seminary have acquired four substantial buildings, all debt free, valued at more than one half million dollars.

The miracle is not only evident in the material possessions of the Seminary but in the way God has led men and women to its doors to prepare for full-time church service. Already fifteen have graduated and nine more are expected to graduate in 1955. The total enrollment of the Seminary is higher this year (forty including those serving an intern year) than any previous year. Of the total, three are young women, two of whom are studying full time and expect to enter the service of the Church.

And the miracle continues in the way in which we have attained a consecrated and able faculty. These men are giving of themselves unstintingly in the instruction of students and in bringing the message of the Seminary to congregations and to various groups. They are: Dr. Charles Foelsch, President, Professor of New Testament Interpretation; Dr. E. T. Bachmann, Professor of Church History; Dr. H. J. Mumm,, Professor of Bible; and Dr. G. E. Lenski, Professor of Systematic Theology. Specialists in their field and part time instructors: Dr. P. E. Morentz, Pastoral Care; the Rev. T. Harjunpaa, Liturgics; the Rev. G. H. Muedeking, Christian Thought.

The prospects for the Junior Class in the Fall ot 1955 are very promising. The completion of Beasom Hall, the new dormitory, has done much to enhance life at the Seminary, especially for the single men. The married couples continue to find their living quarters in or near Berkeley. The next project to be undertaken by the Seminary will include a recreational area for the students as well as a roadway, a parkway and walking area. This project will cost approximately $20,000, but will not be started until the funds for it are in sight. Any congregation which has not completed its Seminary Appeal will be helping the forward progress of the Seminary by caring for the matter at the earliest possible date.

The library of Seminary continues to grow, now includes approximately eight thousand carefully selected volumes. The preliminary minimum goal is twenty thousand volumes. During the year the library of Dr. John C. Mattes was acquired which included many fine theological works no longer available. The library of the late Pastor Paul Wolpert, Synodical Secretary, has been gratefully received. From time to time friends of the Seminary send monetary gifts for the purchase of books.

One cannot estimate the true worth of Seminary's President in all the facets of his leadership. One very real way in which he has been extremely helpful is the manner in which he has developed a number of "friends" of the Seminary all over the Church. These "friends" have contributed thousands of dollars to the Seminary. President Foelsch has been most diligent in keeping the Seminary before the Church and other Lutheran groups throughout the Nation.

Although the Seminary receives support from many sources, its chief support comes from the Synods that own and control it. Of necessity the Seminary must look to the Synods for the operating funds. In a real sense, the Seminary can do only what the Synods through their financial support permit it to accomplish. It may sound trite to say the future of the Church on the West Coast depends in a very real way on the development of the Seminary and on the encouragement of young men to

enter the ministry but it is a basic fact. The Board of Directors, your representatives, are heartened by the ready response of the Synods to the needs of the Seminary.

Full accreditation of the Seminary must await the inspection of the proper committee of the Association of Theological Schools. However, application by the Seminary for accreditation has been approved by that group and it becomes effective upon the graduation of our first class "of our own" in the Spring of 1955. Meanwhile, individual seminaries have approved and their faculties have agreed to receive our credits presented by any of our students seeking further study.

A modest beginning has been made in post graduate study under the direction of Dr. Bachmann. A Summer School will again be held at the Seminary with two three week periods, July 4 to August 12. A number of guest professors will staff the Summer School with the regular faculty. Tuesday morning classes are held at the Seminary for pastors.

The faculty believes that the best hope of strengthening the functional department of the curriculum lies in the adoption, on a church-wide basis, of a required parish intern year for all seminarians concluding their middler year. This matter came before the Convention at Toronto and is now in the hands of Board of Education. This is intended to be a year of practical work with a pastor and not special types of work in mental hospital or social service agencies.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Seminary has continued to render great service and to present continuing gifts to the causes of the Seminary. There is room for expanding this phase of the congregational helpfulness to the Seminary. We encourage the pastors to bring this matter to the attention of their women's groups.

The Seminary continues to operate "in the black" as we believe you would desire it to do. While there has been a substantial balance, it must be accounted for as the library charges are considered as capital expenditures. This no longer can be continued or justified. It must now become an operating expenditure. Also a full-time gardener has not been employed although one is needed.

The Board of Directors would tell you that all of us deeply appreciate the very kind and generous assistance of the Board of Education and the cooperative and helpful spirit of its Executive Secretary, Dr. Gould Wickey. He has met with the Board from time to time and his counsel has been most helpful.

A vacancy on the Board has existed since Dr. Carl V. Tambert was installed as the President of Synod.

In closing Dr. Charles B. Foelsch brought greetings from the Seminary. Mr. William Scheehl presented Dr. Foelsch with a framed picture of "Saint Benedict's Advice" for Beasom hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Ross F. Hidy
Howard L. Logan
William B. Scheehl

Motion prevailed that the Seminary report be accepted.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE BOARD OF THE PACIFIC LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, REPORT OF THE TREASURER

BALANCE SHEET

As of October 18, 1954

ASSETS

Operating Fund	$ 9,929.73
Library Fund	5,279.25
Student Loan Fund	1,575.00
Special Endowment Funds	1,371.90
Endowment Fund, Berkeley	125.00
Withheld Income Tax	977.30
	19,258.18
Less: Capital Fund—Deficit	12,462.15

Cash, American Trust Co., Berkeley	$ 6,796.03
Clark Hall, 2770 Marin Ave	81,163.08
Dobbins Hall, 2750 Marin Ave	86,564.64
Dormitory	123,950.75
Property Additions and Improvements, General	3,026.87
Lots	9,986.61
Office Equipment	936.79
Furniture	31,092.25
Library	13,772.42
Endowment Fund, Vancouver	681.49
Moving Expenses, professors	5,439.06
Interest on Annuities	180.60
TOTAL ASSETS	$363,590.59

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Withheld Income Tax	$ 977.30
Capital Account	362,613.29
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL	$363,590.59

Analysis of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

October 11, 1953 — October 18, 1954

	10/10/53 Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	10/18/54 Balance
Operating Funds	$ 4,828.97	$ 55,891.82	$ 50,791.06	$ 9,929.73
Capital Funds	38,420.25	73,614.40	124,496.80	12,462.15 cr.
Library Funds	4,258.04	3,349.25	2,328.04	5,279.25
Student Loan Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	425.00	1,575.00
Special Funds	114.00	1,257.90		1,371.90
Endowment Fund, Berkeley		125.00		125.00
Endowment Fund, Vancouver	655.28	26.21		681.49
	$49,276.54	$135,264.58	$178,040.90	$ 6,500.22

Mr. Robert Cummings introduced Mr. Chester Myron, U.L.C.A. representative to the Convention, who brought the first of his two presentations on behalf of the U.L.C.A.

Motion prevailed that a telegram be sent to Dr. Franklin Clark Fry honoring the occasion of his 10th year as U.L.C.A. President.

Pastor Flora reported for Foreign Missions. No individual assignments of Foreign Missionaries to congregations giving support. However, a monthly report from the field being supported.

Tellers reported the following election results:

Second Vice-President	— The Rev. Milus Bonker
Secretary	— The Rev. John G. Simmons
Treasurer	— Mr. Carl Bell
Home for the Aged	— The Rev. Orval Awerkamp
	— The Rev. Henry Scherer
	— Dr. Edward N. Spirer
Clerical Executive Committee	— The Rev. Ross F. Hidy
Lay Executive Committee	— Leo S. Johnston (2 year term)
Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary Board	— The Rev. John P. Stump (4 year term
Lutheran Leadership Training Board	— Mrs. Arthur Alm
	— The Rev. George Flora
	— The Rev. F. W. Heinecken
	— The Rev. George Spindt

Motion prevailed that the final printed or mimeographed official ballots at next year's Synodical Convention contain the names of all nominees, including those nominated from floor of the Convention. Constitution Committee to prepare By Laws to carry out the meaning of this action.

Dr. Schwertz presented the Midland College Report with the adoption of Recommendation No. 1.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE TO THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

President Paul W. Dieckman says:

ANNUAL STATEMENT:

Nineteen hundred Fifty-four at Midland has been a stimulating year with increased activity in many quarters. It was a year of enlargement of our academic and counseling activities, expansion of our physical facilities, a deepening of our Christian purpose and the attainment of financial stability. In this regard, the increasing interest on the part of our supporting synods in the work of the College as an arm of the Church is indeed gratifying. Deep, therefore, is our thanks to all who shared in giving Midland the opportunity for service. Thanks especially to God for all His manifest and manifold gifts to this College.

ATTENDANCE

Midland College opened its 68th year in September 1954 with an enrollment of 375 students. This represents an 11 per cent increase over the preceding year. We feel rather encouraged not only with an increase in the number of students, but with their spirit of friendliness and cooperation, and their eagerness for a sound education. This is the first year that our freshman class compares favorably with the average preparation of freshmen on the national level.

CAMPUS MORALE

Visitor after visitor to the campus remarks upon the friendliness and helpfulness of Midland College students and facilty. Dr. Reuben K. Youngdahl publicly stated that he found Midland College to be the most friendly campus he had ever visited. Truly Midland is a wonderful family with which to be associated. And, here I should like to pay tribute in abundant measure to a well trained, consecrated and cooperative faculty and staff. Upon them rests the burden of challenging these young people that they may not only learn how to make a living, but how to live a Christian life. For, one element of our program is to strengthen the faith of all young people on the campus and to encourage them to be more active in the life of their home congregation, particularly when they are out of college and settled in a community. A number of Midland students now serve as officers in the Luther League on the state and national level and as caravaners across the Church at home and abroad.

SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS

Midland College is but an arm of the local congregation in its parish ministry as we deal with that portion of the parish who are away at college. Each student at the College is therefore required to take courses in Christianity and philosophy and to attend daily chapel. Midland continues to believe that a large part of her uniqueness lies in her steady effort to help every student understand that no education is complete unless it includes opportunities for each to hear the call of the Christ upon his life and for each to answer that call.

The Board of Trustees, believing in this aim and being desirous of raising the spiritual level still higher, will call a full-time chaplain before September 1955, whose responsibility it will be to serve as the spiritual advisor of all students.

Our chapel services are most helpful in lifting the general level of spiritual life on the campus. Our Religious Emphasis week and Careers Week this year was more attractive than usual, dealing with the practical side of religion, the application to the lives of students in their classrooms, their school activities, their life work.

SCHOLASTIC DEVELOPMENT

The College is trying to personalize its work spiritually and academically. Mr. Phil Hefner, a graduate with the Class of 1954, was selected as a Fulbright Scholar and is now pursuing his graduate work at Tubingen, Germany. The faculty counseling system is operating successfully and thus accounts for a higher achievement and for a lower student mortality than was previously noticed. Mr. Lloyd TeSelle, Superintendent of Schools at Fremont, Nebraska, at a public meeting in December stated, "I am very happy with the quality of students on your campus who come to our schools for practice teaching. We are very much impressed by their abilities and their sincerity. This was not true some years ago."

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financially, things have been transpiring to make us glad. There is still need for the securing of a greater number of private gifts to the College and a more liberal annual giving on the part of the alumni. Most heartening of all has been the larger giving of the Church. Since Midland is a Church college, it must look to the Church for its chief support. Once again our hearty thanks to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest for its support.

As a result of the increased support and stringent economies introduced into the College program, we have balanced our budget for the past year. This is a victory of no small achievement and calls for repoicing on the part of our constituency. Our needs do, however, continue to be great. The competition of other colleges is becoming increasingly acute. Nevertheless, Midland has turned in the proper direction and needs only to accelerate its progress to achieve financial stability and strength.

We urge that pastors make every effort to interest young men and women in Midland. We want our percentage of Lutheran students to remain high. We want to challenge our Lutheran students. Pastors and alumni can help tremendously in this, and we earnestly solicit that help. The College provides a sound academic education in a friendly Christian atmosphere. You need not hesitate to recommend it.

In this report we wish again to express our deep gratitude to all who participated in the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, which brought our much needed library out of the dream world into the world of reality. It has been a marvelous addition to our campus and to our facilities. Nineteen hundred fifty-four also saw the purchase of a home away from the campus for the President of the College. The move permitted the space formerly used as the President's apartment to be converted into an enlarged and much improved Student Union and Faculty Lounge. But there are still needs that continue to be demanding.

BUILDING PROGRAM

In the near future we must plan to put an addition to our women's dormitory. Within the forseeable future other buildings must likewise be erected upon the campus. A campaign for capital funds over the next few years will not only ensure the perpetuation of an institution which has served the Church for almost three-quarters of a century and which has developed many distinguished lay and clerical leaders, but it will demonstrate the faith of the Church in the cause of Christian higher education, in the independent college, and in the identity of the College as a church institution.

Unless we have effective Church colleges, the youth of the Church must be educated in secular institutions. These secular institutions and their facilities have no commitment and no compulsion to show God as the center and mainspring of daily life. They perform no real evangelistic function. Their facilities are not required to be positively Christian. By contrast the Church college is the forefront of the Church's far reaching program of evangelism and missionary endeavor.

If we fail to carry on this endeavor not only will our Church lose impetus, but we will weaken the way of life, founded on Christian principles of democracy, which has made it possible for our Church to survive and to progress.

In the leadership of students trained in a Christian college lies the hope of a better nation. Let us appreciate the privilege and responsibility of owning a Church college.

FIGURES TELL THE STORY

INCOME:

Education and General	$151,014.81
Endowment Income	19,934.41
Gifts and Grants	109,535.58
Other Income	7,451.77
Auxiliary Enterprises Income	150,572.98
Total Receipts	$438,509.55

EXPENSE:

Educational and General	$282,962.51
Auxiliary Enterprises	147,263.02
Other Non-Educational Expense	6,821.92
Total Expense	$437,047.45
Net Operating Gain for Year	$ 1,462.10

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Midland College be continued upon our regular apportionment budget.
2. That the amount toward Midland's Current Budget for 1955 be set at $7,000.00.
3. That our Synod endorse the proposed Building Program of our college as presented at a special Executive Committee Meeting in Fremont, Nebraska, on January 5, 1955.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert B. Schwertz
Carl V. Tambert

Motion prevailed that Recommendations 2 and 3 be tabled until consideration of the Budget.

Dr. Schwertz then introduced Dr. Dieckman, President of Midland College, who brought greetings.

Motion prevailed that the Committee on Reference and Counsel make provision for special order on Wednesday morning for the Special Appeals Budget including Midland College.

Pastor Robison presented Pastor Garman as the new President of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation, who presented the Report.

Recommendation #1 adopted.

#2 add comma after Northern and substitute early for simultaneous.

Motion to postpone special order for 15 minutes and also to postpone closing session 15 minutes.

Motion prevailed that second ballot containing errors be declared illegal.

Motion that if a fourth ballot is necessary, the two highest on third ballot be considered the nominee.

Special order. Bible Study by Dr. Harry Mumm.

A special note of thanks is to be written to American Bible Society for the supplying of the copies of the Colossians.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

FIFTH SESSION

January 26, 1955 — 8:45 A.M.

The fifth session was opened with devotions by the Rev. Clarence Crouser, Necrologist, who conducted a Memorial Service for those who have passed from our midst to the Church Triumphant.

Dr. Harry Mumm conducted Bible Study Hour (3).

Balloting was opened and closed for the third ballot.

Referred for special order:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

"You shall rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of an old man."
Lev. 19:32

The blessing of God has rested richly upon our Home for another year. Three new guests have entered the home during 1954, three have been dismissed, and God has called one soul home. As of December 22 there were nine full-time and two part-time staff members, caring for thirty-two guests.

We have seen another year with income for current expenditures keeping above outgo. The Building Fund has been growing at a modest rate. The generous response of the churches to our Harvest Ingathering of food, and the fine giving on "Home for the Aged Sunday," November 14 helped strengthen our hands to start a new year in good shape financially. The Women's Fellowship has been a cheerful and blessed help.

On September 27 Dr. O. W. Ebright left as our Executive Director, to assume the pastorate of a mission church in Salem, Oregon. Both Doctor and Mrs. Ebright had won a large place in the hearts of the guests and friends of the Home. We were most fortunate in securing the services of Miss Agnes Riensche as Acting Director. Pastor Ralph E. Rangeler of Beatrice, Nebraska, assumes the direction of the Home on January 16, 1955.

Your Board has worked prayerfully and diligently during the year. The change of leadership has changed and slowed our plans, but will lead, we are confident, to an even better program because of the need of a critical re-evaluation of our program. Plans are well advanced on our building, and we are sure that the blessing of God will be on us as we go forward under our new director to an even larger and finer program of helpfulness to the senior members of our Church. Pray for us much that your board and staff at the Home may be a blessing to many of our Aged.

Many of our guests are growing feeble. It is increasingly difficult for them to go up and down stairs. A new building will both house more of the many who need our care and provide an elevator for both buildings. Must we tell our dear aged guest just as they need us most that they must leave?

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the California Lutheran Home for the Aged continue to be granted the second Sunday in November to stress its work among the congregations and to receive an offering of food and money.
2. The Board of Directors of the California Lutheran Home for the Aged be authorized to conduct a drive for one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars ($125,000).

Respectfully submitted,
Henry H. Scherer,
President of the Board.

The California Lutheran Home report was adopted. Pastor Rangeler was presented and brought greetings.

Recommendation #2 was adopted and referred to special order of the special needs appeal.

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$ 17,007.40	
Trust Deed Note Receivable	100.00	
Note Receivable	10,000.00	$ 27,107.40
Fixed Assets		
Land	$ 29,800.00	
Buildings	71,743.88	
Furnishings and Equipment	14,779.91	
Automotive Equipment	1,640.93	
Cottages	24,054.95	
Rest Cottage	24,023.39	
Fence	225.00	
Construction & Improvement in Process	4,413.20	$170,681.26
Other Assets		
Food Inventory	$ 495.00	
Stocks and Bonds	100.00	
Deposits	100.00	695.00
		$198,483.66

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Payroll and Withholding Taxes		$ 529.45
Deposits Accounts		12,243.63
Designated Funds		
Building Fund	$ 17,958.08	
Memorials	750.45	
Entrance Deposit	500.00	19,208.53
Net Worth		
Balance — January 1, 1954	$160,370.63	
Improvements to properties during year 1954	4,413.20	
Increase from operations	1,718.22	166,502.05
		$198,483.66

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Statement of Income and Expenses

Year Ended December 31, 1954

Income:		
Receipts for care	$ 30,511.42	
Cottage utilities	540.00	
Appropriated receipts	1,383.09	
Miscellaneous	8.00	
Interest	472.60	
TOTAL INCOME		$ 32,915.11
Expenses		
Staff salaries	$ 17,935.05	
Accounting	600.00	
Auto expense	283.76	
Blue Cross	257.70	
F.I.C.A. Contribution	218.20	
Food	4,314.63	

Insurance	640.01	
Laundry	950.41	
Maintenance and Repairs	820.04	
Medical Supplies	364.74	
Miscellaneous	445.79	
Pension expense	190.81	
Publicity and promotion	173.04	
Stationery and office supplies	349.67	
Storage	123.00	
Sunset Herald	633.93	
Supplies	537.43	
Taxes and Licenses	190.23	
Telephone and telegraph	121.24	
Travel	428.41	
Utilities	1,545.20	
Escrow expenses	73.60	
TOTAL EXPENSES		$ 31,196.89
Net Increase		$ 1,718.22

THE CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN HOME

Building Fund

December 31, 1954

Balance January 1, 1954		$ 6,802.49
Receipts		
Churches	$ 3,192.00	
Individuals	1,166.92	
Women's Fellowship	6,144.35	
Church organizations	195.12	
Rent from oil lease	360.00	
Estate of Amanda Doering	4,729.48	
TOTAL		$ 15,787.87
		$ 22,590.36
Disbursements		
Mailings and Publicity	$ 219.08	
Improvements	4,413.20	
TOTAL		4,632.28
Balance December 31, 1954		$ 17,958.08

Tellers report of the election—No election.

The additions to the Minutes of the Third Session were adopted with minor corrections:

Motion prevailed that the Lutheran Student report be adopted.

SUGGESTED METHOD FOR MEETING THE SPECIAL NEEDS OF SYNOD
SPECIAL NEEDS APPORTIONED

(Three-Year Plan)

SPECIAL NEEDS:	Home for the Aged	$125,000
	Midland College	100,000
	Lutheran Student Foundation	28,000
	TOTAL	$253,000

1956 — $4.00 per communing member first year 24,000 members	Home for the Aged	$ 75,000
	Midland College	20,000
	Lutheran Student Fund	2,000
		$ 97,000
1957 — $4.00 per communing member 25,500 members	Home for the Aged	$ 30,000
	Midland College	60,000
	Lutheran Student Found	12,000
		$102,000
1958 — $3.00 per communing member 27,000 members	Home for the Aged	$ 20,000
	Midland College	20,000
	Lutheran Student Found	14,000
		$ 54,000

Motion prevailed that the recommendations be presented with the Special Needs Appeals.

The Committee Report on Special Needs of Synod was adopted with the following change:

Lutheran Student Foundation should be $2,000 for 1956.

Discussion followed.

Postpone until Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of Supplemental Report of Allocations Committee.

Special order of the completion of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation report. Pastor Garman presented Pastor Foerester who explained the Bulletin distributed.

REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION

The program of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for 1954 followed the general lines of previous years with an emphasis on leadership training through the Synod's Camp Yolijwa with a concern for and cooperation in specific instances with camping in other areas of the territory of Synod.

Most of the administrative planning and oversight fell naturally upon the shoulders of the director, Pastor John Foerster, but there were many among the pastors and laity who joined in making this the most successful year yet experienced. These few statistics may be noted concerning the six weeks of summer camping:

Senior High Boys, 36 campers, 3 faculty and counsellors.

Intermediate boys, (camp held simultaneously with senior boys): 45 campers, 7 faculty and counsellors, 14 staff members, 2 staff children and 3 Luther League caravaners (total 110 for two camps).

Junior boys (1st week): 45 campers, 6 faculty members, 15 staff members, 3 staff children, 2 observers (total 71).

Junior boys (2nd week): 71 campers, 10 faculty and counsellors, 15 staff members, 3 staff children, 1 observer (total 98).

Junior girls: 78 campers, 12 faculty and counsellors, 15 staff members, 2 observers (total 109).

Intermediate girls: 78 campers, 12 faculty and counsellors, 15 staff members, 2 staff children, 2 observers (total 108).

Senior girls: 58 campers, 13 faculty and counsellors, 14 staff members, 1 staff child, 2 observers (total 86).

In all 411 campers, 64 counsellors and faculty members, 14 staff members and faculty children and 13 observers or a total of 582 persons made up the 1954 Camp

Yolijwa program. Eliminating duplicate counting of staff members, etc., there was a grand total of 495 individuals involved.

One hundred and two men took part in the Men's Retreat just prior to the opening of Camp. In addition there were over 500 visitors during the season.

Further planning was done in regard to the relocation of Yolijwa at Oak Glen. Considerable architectural work was performed, volunteer clean-up crews from various churches gave appreciated services and there is much anticipation of getting a program started at the new site. Two allocations (grants of funds) from the Crusade for Youth receipts (a total of $15,500) have made the site debt free and have remunerated the architect for his services to date.

Primarily through our Director, the Board was interested in camping programs in other areas of Synod in which, though there was little official relationship, there was yet much sharing of experience. Comprehensive reports were given the Board by leaders of several of these camps.

At Mt. Cross near Santa Cruz in which many NLC congregations participate 20 of our Synod's churches sent 89 campers, 6 pastors and 10 counsellors to take part during the summer of 1954. The total figures show that there were 95 churches represented by 514 campers, 31 pastors and 38 counsellors. Mt. Cross requested and received a grant of $2,500 from the Crusade for Youth allocations Committee for capital purposes. Pastor George Flora has served as president of the Mt. Cross Board.

At Camp Yolijwa in Hawaii where Pastor Glen Balsley, formerly of this Board, was Camp Director for 1954, there was a total of 92 participants which included 76 campers. The camp was held at Kokee, Kauai, August 3-13. The "Yolijwa" program was followed generally. 14 Leadership Training Course Cards were awarded. Transportation is a big problem in the Islands and flying to camp is the accepted practice.

Arizona Conference churches again took part in the Arizona NLC Camp. The 1954 camp was held at Baptist Estates in June with more than 200 campers in attendance, approximately half of whom were from congregations of our Synod. The program this year was patterned in large part after the Yolijwa program. Negotiations are being made by the associated NLC churches of Arizona for the lease on a long term of a camp site near Mt. Mary, Arizona.

During the past year the L.L.T.C. Board was composed of Pastors David Robison, Quentin Garman, F. W. Heinecken, George Spindt, Charles Smith and George Steffens, and these lay members: Mrs. Ruth Inslee, Mrs. Emmy Lou Alm, Mr. Bert Anspach, Mr. Robert Brammer, Dr. Alfred Henrich and Mr. Wendell Larson. Numerous meetings were held during the year and consideration given to operating and promotional matters. Robison, Garman, Alm and Inslee served as president, vice president, secretary and treasurer respectively.

The Board feels that for the money that is invested in this form of leadership training and considering that much of the camp leadership is contributed, we of Synod have in our camping program an instrument that is of tremendous value. It is worthy of the support of every member of our congregations.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is recommended that in view of the fact that the Parish Education Committee of Synod is responsible for carrying on other related items pertaining to the development of leadership training in the Church School, area training school for Church School leaders and the development of a total Christian education program, that as soon as possible, the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation define its concern, mainly and specifically, with leadership training through the camping programs of Synod.

2. It is recommended that it be recognized by the Synod that the main responsibility of the L.L.T.C. at the present time be to develop a new Camp Yolijwa on the Oak Glen site and that this camp become the pilot camp for the Synod serving as a pattern for the simultaneous development of camps in Northern Arizona and Hawaiian Conferences with the understanding that the director of Camp Yolijwa be the Executive Director of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

3. The L.L.T.C. Board recommends that the Synod consider favorably a proposal to designate funds from the Crusade for Youth for capital development or improvement for authorized camping programs of the U.L.C.A. on the territory of the Synod of

the Pacific Southwest **in the conference areas from which the funds have been received** and that the allocations committee be so instructed.

4. It is recommended that the Constitution of the L.L.T.C. be changed in regard to name and purpose in line with delineation of responsibilities proposed in the first recommendation.

VOLIJWA schedule for the 1955 camping season is appended for information:

Men's Retreat	June 24-26
Intermediate-Senior Boys	June 26-July 4
Senior High Girls	July 4-July 11
Intermediate Girls	July 11-July 18
I Junior Boys	July 18-July 25
II Junior Boys	July 25-Aug. 1
Junior Girls	August 1-Aug. 8

Respectfully submitted,
David E. Robison, President

Recommendation #2—A substitute motion.

Moved that Synod instruct the Committee on Christian Education and the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation to make a joint study in 1955 on Parish Education bringing back to the Convention of Synod in 1956 a complete report and recommendation for a total Parish Education program. Referred with instructions.

Motion prevailed to reconsider Recommendation #1 of Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation Board. Motion to add to Recommendation #1:

Amend that Synod instruct the Executive Committee to appoint a special Committee in consultation with Christian Education and Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

Motion prevailed to withdraw Recommendations 2 and 4.
Motion prevailed that Recommendation #3 be adopted.
Motion prevailed that report be adopted as a whole.
Motion prevailed for extension of time for 15 minutes.
Motion prevailed for adjournment and the Synod Chaplain led in prayer.

LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION
BALANCE SHEET
December 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash on hand and in bank	$ 2,447.91	
Inventories Camp Yolijwa	508.55	2,956.46
Property and Equipment		
Seven Oaks	$ 14,627.08	
Oak Glen	19,587.57	
Library	95.27	34,309.92
Prepaid Insurance		318.42
		$ 37,584.80

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Loan from Synodical Special Reserve		$ 531.43
Account Payable		160.00
Funds		
Oak Glen — Designated Funds	$ 378.22	
Oak Glen — Development Fund	1,138.45	
Year Book — 1954	205.50	
Scholarship Fund	376.45	2,098.62
Net Worth — December 31, 1954		34,794.75
		$ 37,584.80

LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP TRAINING CORPORATION

Statement of Income and Expenses

December 31, 1954

Income		
Campers at Camp Yolijwa	$ 10,341.99	
Campers in Hawaii	534.00	
Sale of Apples — Oak Glen	688.64	
Synod	4,620.00	16,184.63
Expenses		
Camp Yolijwa Operations	$ 11,482.94	
Hawaiian Operations	534.00	
Promotion	1,185.32	
General Administration	2,062.29	
Oak Glen Administration	688.64	15,953.19
		$ 231.44

Changes in Net Worth

Balance — January 1, 1954		$ 17,863.31
Add:		
Net Increases for 1954	$ 231.44	
Amortization of Special Reserve from Synod	1,200.00	
Crusade for Youth Appeal	15,500.00	16,931.44
		$ 34,794.75

During the Luncheon that followed President Tambert introduced Pastor Ellman of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Berkeley, who brought greetings on behalf of the Augustana Synod.

Howard Logan presented the Student Work Program and introduced the Rev. Henry Hetland, Western Regional Director of the Division of Student Work of the National Lutheran Council; the Rev. George Spindt of the Arizona Student Foundation; the Rev. Richard Bennett, Southern California, Mr. Robert Brorby, President of the Northern California Student Foundation; the Rev. Goodwin Olson, Fresno; the Rev. George Flora, San Jose; Mrs. Kohls, International Student Foundation, and Miss Jan Holling and the Rev. Otto Bremer of the University of California Student Center.

SIXTH SESSION

January 26, 1955 — 1:30 P.M.

The sixth session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme, "Everything of the Church is Important."

Motion prevailed that a substitute division of the question #1 on Report of the Executive Committee on special needs be considered in terms of the totals.

Motion that the special needs for Home for the Aged, Midland College, and Lutheran Student Foundation be approved.

Motion prevailed that the motion be amended to consider each item seriatim:

Motion prevailed that Recommendation #1 Home for the Aged be adopted.

Recommendation #1 was adopted with the insertion of the second Sunday in November replacing "a Sunday in the year."

Motion prevailed that the $100,000 for Midland College be reduced to $75,000.

Motion that a special item of $25,000 be established in the three-year program for the office of a full-time Director of Religious Education and Youth with the provision that $15,000 be included in the 1956 apportioned need with $5,000 suggested for the special needs for 1957 and 1958.

Motion prevailed to refer this item to the Executive Committee for consideration at the time of the presentation of the Budget.

Motion prevailed that 1956-57-58 allocations of funds in Special Appeals be referred to Executive Committee for reapportionment.

Report of tellers:

Mr. Albert L. H. Gercke was elected as a Lay Member of the Executive Committee for a two-year term.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK

The one meeting of the Committee during the year was held at the time of the Installation Service for President Tambert. At that time the Committee listened with interest to the representatives of the various foundations and submitted its suggestions to the Executive Committee of Synod as to the financial needs of the three established foundations, Northern California, Southern California, and Arizona.

The Committee also heard the story of the proposed construction of various student buildings on the territory of our Synod and submitted to the Executive Committee of Synod for its consideration the matter of meeting Synod's share of capital funds needed for these new buildings and centers. New facilities are planned for Tempe and Tucson in Arizona, a parsonage in Berkeley, centers in Fresno and San Jose and additional facilities in the Los Angeles area. The cost of these will be shared by the Division of Student Service, National Lutheran Council, other Lutheran bodies and our Synod. Our Synod's share is $27,400.00.

From the reports received by the Committee Chairman for the compilation of this report, one is encouraged to see that our Student Work is slowly acquiring more substantial support from the congregations. As an example, the Northern California Foundation has received in eleven months of 1954 $2,060.16 as compared with $687.33 received for the year of 1953. The California Foundations would like to suggest to the congregations wishing to do their fair share that a per communing member contribution of thirty-four cents for the South and forty-five cents for North would do it.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION

A change in the policy of the Division of Student Service of National Lutheran Council has restricted the Foundation's responsibility to those campuses where they have salaried people. Therefore, it serves University of Southern California, the University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles City College and the Los Angeles State College. This Foundation has two full-time pastors, Rev. Oscar Ice, American Lutheran Church, serves as Executive Director and Dr. Luther Olmon, Augustana Church, serves as Campus Pastor at University of California at Los Angeles. Dr. Olmon assumed his work this past fall.

There is a continuing desirable and satisfactory relationship with St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Los Angeles, with Pastor Ice preaching and assisting there, and with the expected formation of a Student Church Council. This is an attempt to bring a parish ministry to the students. There are sixty known United Lutheran students at University of Southern California. Only sixteen of these were reported by the pastors. During November twenty-five per cent of all Lutheran students at University of Southern California participated in some student program or activity. Seven students were enrolled in confirmation classes.

For the future, the Foundation anticipates work at Los Angeles State College (new campus), Long Beach State College, California State Poly at San Luis Obispo, and the new University of California campuses at Riverside and Santa Barbara.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION

The work at Berkeley is under the direction of the Rev. Otto Bremer, ULCA, who is assisted by Miss Janet Holling, Counselor to Students, and Mrs. Lottie Kohls, Counselor to International Students. While here at Berkeley you may desire to drop in at the Center on Bowditch Street, a few steps from St. Michael's Lutheran Church. This Foundation has interested itself in the following campuses: University of California at Berkeley, San Jose State College, Fresno State College, Sacramento State College, San Francisco City and State Colleges, and Stanford University.

This Foundation too anxiously awaits our decision concerning the raising of capital funds for the new centers in its area. The need at Fresno is urgent and the possibility of having a part in the proposed building is very imminent.

The work at Berkeley got off to the best start in its history as over one hundred thirty-five students participated in the Fall Reception. The Reformation Banquet, to

which students of all Christian groups were invited, was attended by well over three hundred fifty.

The work at Fresno is most encouraging and with bright prospects for the future. The Rev. George Flora serves in the San Jose area where the Lutheran population increased to two hundred seventy-five whereas the college had a overall drop in enrollment.

ARIZONA FOUNDATION

The Lutheran Student Foundation of Arizona has set before it a steadily expanding program in its ministry to Lutheran students in the several schools of higher learning in Arizona. There are active student groups in the University of Arizona at Tucson, the Arizona State College at Tempe, and the Phoenix Junior College.

For the first time a full time counselor for students has been called in the person of Miss Gabrielle Saenger. She spends the greater part of her time at the University of Arizona dividing the remainder of her time between the Tempe and Phoenix campuses.

Active programs with LSA groups, Bible Study, worship, discussion and fellowship groups are conducted at each campus.

The Committee recommends:

That the Pacific Southwest Synod assumes its share of the Capital Fund for new construction of student centers and facilities in the amount of $27,400.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard L. Logan, Chairman

Motion prevailed that the Report of Student Work be adopted.

Mr. Carl Bell presented the Treasurer's Report and presented Mr. Wayne Pfundstein, who was given a rising vote of thanks in recognition for his work on this report and other services.

GENERAL FUND
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1954
ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash	$39,803.37	
Trust Deed Note Receivable	1,014.48	
Account Receivable	508.81	
Notes and Loans Receivable	37,125.73	$ 78,452.39
Fixed Assets		
Furniture and Equipment		2,339.33
Mission Properties—Analysis on page 55		76,572.80
Other Assets		
Deposit	$ 425.00	
Blue Cross and Pension advances	602.85	
Fidelity Bond	244.53	
Stationery and Office Supplies	485.58	1,757.96
		$159,122.48

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Liabilities		
Notes Payable	$106,057.02	
Benevolences undistributed	1,198.58	
Board of American Missions—Special Appeal	1,750.00	
Lutheran World Action	1,356.11	
Crusade for Youth	8,138.34	
Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal	2,981.01	
Payroll deductions	214.40	$121,695.46
Designated Reserves		31,323.90
Operational Reserve		6,103.12
		$159,122.48

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

for the Work of the Larger Church and Operations

Year ended December 31, 1954

Receipts			$234,282.16
Disbursements			
	Budget	**Actual**	
United Lutheran Church in America	103,522.00	103,522.00	
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	28,000.00	28,000.00	
Midland College	5,500.00	5,500.00	
Ministerial Education Aid	4,000.00	3,075.00	
Youth Camping	4,956.00	5,635.57	
Home Missions	25,000.00	24,069.71	
Social Missions	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Inter-Church Activities	2,325.00	2,500.00	
Conventions	7,900.00	8,513.00	
Committees	4,000.00	4,507.87	
Promotion	1,500.00	980.96	
Executive Officers	21,402.00	22,829.14	
Office Expenses	10,082.00	13,155.03	
Trailer Ministry	.....	2,682.74	
Pensions	.....	3,089.26	
	220,187.00		230,060.28
Increase to Operational Reserve			$ 4,221.88

Operational Reserve

Balance — January 1, 1954	$ 1,881.24
Increase for year	4,221.88
Balance December 31, 1954	$ 6,103.12

GENERAL FUND

Statement of Charges and Receipts

Against the Home Mission Budget

Year ended December 31, 1954

Mission assistance and development		$ 2,215.01
Supplies used by Mission Churches		1,107.01
Assistance for specific purposes		5,505.35
Parsonage operations		138.00
Survey costs		361.00
Pastor salary and Salary-Aid		4,760.00
Assistance to students from Hawaii attending Midland		2,100.00
Interest on interim loan financing		1,214.36
Disbursement to Mission Reserves—Designated		10,000.00
		$ 27,400.73
Receipts		
Women's Missionary Society	$ 2,850.40	
Churches	228.26	
Interest	252.36	3,331.02
		$ 24,069.71

GENERAL FUND

Mission Properties

December 31, 1954

Cost of parsonages and church properties acquired by Synod on behalf of the missions before formal organization date and before the missions are incorporated in the respective states:		
Purchase prices including escrow costs		$257,902.68
Taxes, insurance, interest, repairs		6,924.78
TOTAL		$264,827.46
Properties in escrow		14,236.25
		$279,063.71
Deduct:		
Cash received from mission congregations	$ 11,542.77	
Property obligations	190,948.14	202,490.91
Synod's Equity at December 31, 1954		$ 76,572.80

Note: As soon as the mission congregation is organized and is a legal corporation in the state, it assumes full responsibility, and title to the property is transferred to the congregation.

GENERAL FUND

Designated Reserves

December 31, 1954

	Balance 1-1-54	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance 12-31-54
Mission Reserves	$14,566.32	$16,252.96	$ 2,128.68	$28,690.60
Pacific Lutheran Seminary	1,252.96		1,252.96	.....
Seminary Books	19.75	4.50	24.25	———
Noel Memorial Reserve	2,500.00		2,500.00	.....
Special Reserve	800.91	1,233.28	1,200.00	834.19
Special Relief Fund	619.81	523.22	617.37	525.66
Trailer Ministry Chapel Fund	1,273.45			1,273.45
U.L.C.A. Biennial Convention	1,000.00		1,000.00	———
	$22,033.20	$18,013.96	$ 8,723.26	$31,323.90

GENERAL FUND

Board of American Missions Special Appeal

December 31, 1954

Receipts from Churches	$ 6,925.00
Remittances to Board of American Missions	5,175.00
Balance December 31, 1954	$ 1,750.00

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

December 31, 1954

Balance — January 1, 1954	$ 1,526.56
Receipts from Churches	23,938.53
	$ 25,465.09
Remittances to U.L.C.A. (Quota 22,603.00)	$ 24,148.98
Balance — December 31, 1954	$ 1,316.11

GENERAL FUND

Crusade for Youth

December 31, 1954

Receipts — 1953		$ 24,142.07
1954		10,515.62
		$ 34,657.69
Disbursements		
Travel	$ 818.58	
Postage and mailing expenses	237.95	
Supplies	44.41	
Printing and art work	1,950.71	
Dime Folders	5,009.40	
Letter inserts for Golden State Lutheran	458.30	8,519.35
		$ 26,138.34
Allocations		
Mount Cross Bible Camp	$ 2,500.00	
Lutheran Leadership Training Corp.	15,500.00	18,000.00
Balance — December 31, 1954		$ 8,138.34

PACIFIC LUTHERAN SEMINARY APPEAL FUND

December 31, 1954

Receipts—1952	$ 99,885.93	
1953	51,517.32	
1954	9,236.06	
TOTAL		160,639.31
Disbursements		
Expenses	$ 29,206.20	
Cash to P.L.S.	128,352.10	
Bond from St. Mark's, San Francisco	100.00	
TOTAL		157,658.30
		$ 2,981.01

GENERAL FUND
Receipts from Churches
for the year 1954

City Church	Apportionment	%	for Youth	Benevolences	Crusade Total	Other L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.
Ajo, Arizona, Grace	$ 50.00	100	$ —	$ —	$ —	$ —	$ 50.00
Alhambra, Grace	2,700.00	101	120.00	125.00	—	172.87	3,117.87
Alhambra, Our Saviour's	1,080.00	100	30.10	—	35.00	82.98	1,228.08
Altadena, Altadena	2,628.00	100	405.00	—	136.85	105.00	3,274.85
Azusa, Calvary	166.00	16	50.00	72.50	22.00	—	310.50
Baldwin Park, Ascension	2,472.00	100	268.00	—	41.33	—	2,781.33
Berkeley, St. Michael's	3,653.60	101	593.78	—	—	122.34	4,369.72
Berkeley, Shepherd-of-the-Hills	633.60	110	66.65	185.00	—	25.00	910.25
Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills	500.00	39	27.00	—	—	—	527.00
Burbank, Luther Memorial	2,400.00	100	—	398.80	9.81	77.55	2,886.16
Canoga Park, Proposed Mission	132.72	100	—	—	—	7.60	140.32
Central Valley, St. James'	336.00	100	—	—	—	—	336.00
Concord, Good Shepherd	340.00	57	12.80	—	—	—	352.80
Culver City, Grace	2,760.00	100	—	1,063.00	400.00	—	4,223.00
Downey, Christ	1,020.00	100	111.00	—	55.25	—	1,186.25
El Cajon, St. John's	189.10	100	70.18	—	—	—	259.28
El Monte, Redeemer	971.02	87	38.85	—	—	—	1,009.87
Fresno, Faith	1,116.00	100	—	—	29.10	—	1,145.10
Fresno, First	4,560.00	100	494.00	120.00	217.73	1,108.00	6,499.73
Fresno, Luther Memorial	.....	.....	—	44.25	—	—	44.25
Fresno, St. Paul's	864.31	48	162.50	—	—	—	1,026.81
Gardena, St. John's	1,385.75	101	168.00	42.00	—	60.00	1,655.75
Glendale, First	12,852.00	105	1,326.00	500.00	1,074.33	2,532.75	18,285.08
Globe, St. Paul's	864.00	120	78.00	48.91	—	1.97	992.88
Hollywood, Hollywood	4,640.00	105	503.50	180.00	217.38	494.34	6,035.22
Honolulu, Honolulu	1,600.00	120	288.00	133.60	239.98	1.00	2,262.58
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	360.00	158	75.00	12.30	20.00	92.51	559.81
Honolulu, St. Paul's	780.17	100	85.00	114.69	99.40	—	1,079.26
Huntington Park, St. Luke's	4,608.00	100	499.00	223.61	407.10	376.55	6,114.26
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	6,480.00	100	702.00	63.20	290.00	11.00	7,546.20
La Canada, Foothills	3,000.00	100	429.50	—	50.00	220.00	3,699.50

City Church	Apportionment	%	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Crusade for Youth	Other Benevolences	Total
Lakewood, Mount Olivet	146.99	100	15.00	—	—	—	161.99
Lanikai, St. John's	185.85	100	—	—	—	—	185.85
Las Vegas, Reformation	785.70	115	156.25	20.00	178.60	—	1,140.55
Lihue, Lihue	420.00	61	—	—	—	—	420.00
Long Beach, Faith	1,092.00	100	71.00	—	20.00	6.35	1,189.35
Long Beach, Gloria Dei	360.00	100	39.00	—	—	—	399.00
Long Beach, Lakewood	3,624.00	100	393.00	—	150.00	117.00	4,284.00
Long Beach, Trinity	7,476.00	100	810.00	5.00	1,273.27	2,600.00	12,164.27
Los Angeles, Advent	2,724.00	100	356.43	163.00	107.65	572.85	3,923.93
Los Angeles, Bethany	136.00	23	—	—	—	—	136.00
Los Angeles, First English	9,000.00	100	1,000.00	—	—	978.30	10,978.30
Los Angeles, Peace	516.00	100	56.00	—	—	—	572.00
Los Angeles, St. Mark's	958.68	102	123.50	6.66	41.81	110.50	1,241.15
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	1,584.00	100	172.00	30.00	100.00	—	1,886.00
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	1,728.00	100	93.50	—	—	22.37	1,843.87
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	2,244.00	100	243.00	46.00	115.00	24.00	2,672.00
Mountain View, Immanuel	271.82	100	41.80	—	—	—	313.62
Norco, Bethany	672.00	100	114.25	13.50	—	—	799.75
North Highland, Proposed Mission	38.81	100	—	—	—	—	38.81
North Hollywood, St. Matthew's	5,484.00	100	594.00	—	212.78	—	6,290.78
Oakland, First	2,544.00	100	301.00	476.40	100.00	438.35	3,859.75
Oakland, St. John's	1,218.71	72	55.00	—	—	25.00	1,298.71
Orange, Our Saviour's	206.30	100	28.50	—	—	—	234.80
Orinda, Shepherd-of-the-Valley	807.00	110	80.00	—	—	60.00	947.00
Pasadena, Trinity	4,800.00	100	748.69	121.00	530.00	1,680.00	7,879.69
Phoenix, Faith	7,332.00	100	672.69	1,246.58	39.20	408.50	9,698.97
Phoenix, Grace	11,916.00	100	1,291.00	40.00	—	282.72	13,529.72
Phoenix, Mount of Olives	1,440.00	100	156.00	—	—	—	1,596.00
Pomona, Trinity	1,920.00	100	158.40	—	10.50	—	2,088.90
Redding, United	432.00	100	4.45	—	—	—	436.45
Redlands, First	1,536.00	100	205.00	20.00	7.00	102.00	1,870.00
Redwood City, Messiah	1,296.00	100	148.00	107.70	—	—	1,551.70
Reno, Good Shepherd	1,248.00	100	135.00	—	—	—	1,383.00
Richmond, Grace	7,680.00	100	833.45	657.18	150.00	897.75	10,218.38
Richmond, St. James'	1,440.00	100	167.00	—	769.04	—	2,376.04

City	Church	Apportionment	%	L.W.A.	P.L.S.A.	Crusade for Youth	Other Benevolences	Total
Riverside,	Trinity	4,200.00	100	350.00	—	—	45.00	4,595.00
Sacramento,	First English	2,892.00	100	341.65	96.50	370.00	—	3,700.15
Sacramento,	Our Redeemer	356.94	68	18.02	—	19.26	4.00	398.22
Sacramento,	St. John's	11,660.00	100	1,593.00	128.00	1,579.85	2,806.87	17,767.72
Sacramento,	St. Paul's	1,507.00	91	—	—	—	25.00	1,532.00
San Bernardino,	First	3,950.31	100	430.82	—	—	48.95	4,430.08
San Diego,	Christ	5,520.00	100	598.00	—	—	690.92	6,808.92
San Diego,	First	3,852.00	100	417.00	1,375.00	240.00	270.00	6,154.00
San Diego,	St. Peter's	1,848.00	100	—	—	100.00	—	1,948.00
San Fernando,	St. Mark's	1,084.55	81	—	—	—	—	1,084.55
San Francisco,	First United	1,430.00	104	180.85	—	100.00	—	1,710.85
San Francisco,	St. Mark's	3,733.73	88	432.43	215.43	100.00	253.43	4,735.02
San Francisco,	St. Matthew's	1,632.00	100	177.00	—	—	20.00	1,829.00
San Francisco,	Temple	1,180.00	106	150.00	—	—	—	1,330.00
Sanger,	St. Paul's	151.37	18	19.35	—	—	—	170.72
San Jose,	Bethany	1,584.00	100	118.60	10.00	19.55	175.40	1,907.55
San Jose,	Grace	2,636.50	98	112.05	65.38	—	53.36	2,867.29
San Leandro,	Epiphany	3,360.00	100	3.20	195.00	—	—	3,558.20
San Mateo,	St. Andrew's	3,084.00	100	334.00	—	84.00	—	3,502.00
Santa Ana,	United	2,256.00	100	66.55	25.00	—	38.45	2,386.00
Santa Barbara,	Grace	1,951.15	102	208.00	50.00	160.00	207.35	2,576.50
Santa Cruz,	St. Stephen's	708.00	100	89.50	21.31	50.00	108.76	977.57
Santa Monica,	St. Paul's	3,906.76	113	376.00	—	284.35	146.65	4,713.76
Sutter Creek,	Mount Olive Parish	49.00	100	13.00	11.50	24.50	27.50	125.50
Tucson,	Our Saviour's	5,412.00	100	586.00	—	—	88.09	6,086.09
Vallejo,	St. Paul's	3,175.00	103	350.00	166.75	—	61.30	3,753.05
Van Nuys,	St. Andrew's	3,636.00	100	394.00	191.12	—	34.39	4,255.51
Walnut Creek,	Proposed Mission	45.00	100	—	—	—	—	45.00
West Covina,	Our Savior	243.56	100	14.45	—	—	—	258.01
Westwood,	Village	973.25	40	—	—	—	—	973.25
Whittier,	Salem	4,114.00	100	534.00	180.00	57.00	302.00	5,187.00
Yreka,	Mt. Zion	804.00	100	37.89	120.69	—	55.35	1,017.93
Yuma,	Faith	621.26	115	100.00	—	27.00	100.00	848.26
California Lutheran Home		318.65	100	7.00	—	—	—	325.65
Individuals		.....	.....	19.40	104.50	150.00	290.04	563.94
		$234,282.16	99	$23,938.53	$ 9,236.06	$10,515.62	$19,669.96	$297,642.33

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION
Balance Sheet
December 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current Assets		
Cash in Bank	$ 67,447.95	
Imprest Cash Fund	1,000.00	
Accounts Receivable	17,612.29	
Inventory	2,603.77	$ 88,664.01
Fixed Assets		
Automotive Equipment	4,830.86	
Construction Equipment	2,160.20	
Furniture and Equipment	1,004.01	
	7,995.07	
Less reserve for depreciation	4,753.21	
		3,241.86
Deposits — Insurance		921.22
		$ 92,827.09

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Current Liabilities		
Accrued Payroll Taxes	$ 1,654.42	
Note payable	2,500.00	
Construction deposits	66,930.43	71,084.85
Balance—January 1, 1954	20,315.72	
Increase	1,426.52	
		21,742.24
Net Worth		
		$ 92,827.09

CHURCH EXTENSION DIVISION
Statement of Income and Expense
Year ended December 31, 1954

Income		
Church Extension Receipts		$ 28,650.25
Other Income		88.20
		28,738.45
Expenses		
Accounting	$ 800.00	
Salaries — Office	3,000.00	
Salary — Director	5,400.00	
Auto Expenses	377.38	
Insurance	1,607.72	
Depreciation	2,111.07	
Interest	33.35	
Supplies and office expense	1,469.17	
Pension contributions	594.00	
Family Protection Plan	36.00	
Telephone	359.80	
Travel	885.07	
Utilities	240.00	
Janitor Service	240.00	
Miscellaneous	302.14	
Total Expenses		17,455.70
		11,455.70
Deduct—Contribution to General Fund for Home Missions	5,000.00	
Allowances on Construction	4,856.23	9,856.23
Increase		$ 1,426.52

GOALS FOR 1955

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST SYNOD

Apportionment 22,479 members at $12.50	$280,987.50
Lutheran World Action 22,479 members at $1.30	29,222.70

UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Synod's quota to U.L.C.A. for Apportionment	$106,606.00
Synod's supplemental goal to U.L.C.A. for apportionment	28,621.00
Synod's quota to U.L.C.A. for L.W.A.	$ 26,570.00

GENERAL FUND

Record of Giving to Pacific Lutheran Seminary Appeal and the Crusade of Youth Campaign from Beginning of the Appeals

December 31, 1954

Congregation	P.L.S.A. 1954	P.L.S.A. Total	CRUSADE FOR YOUTH 1954	CRUSADE FOR YOUTH Total
Ajo, Ariz.—Grace	—	—	—	—
Alhambra—Grace	$ 125.00	$ 2,073.00	—	$ 102.30
Alhambra—Our Saviour's	—	1,013.00	35.00	175.15
Altadena—Altadena	—	2,618.30	136.85	708.90
Azusa—Calvary	72.50	198.57	22.00	72.00
Baldwin Park—Ascension	—	1,155.00	41.33	346.35
Berkeley—St. Michael's	—	3,624.42	—	267.30
Berkeley—Shepherd of Hills	185.00	285.00	—	25.00
Beverly Hills—Beverly Hills	—	—	—	—
Burbank—Luther Memorial	398.80	1,440.80	9.81	197.81
Canoga Park—Proposed Mission	—	—	—	—
Central Valley—St. James'	—	—	—	—
Concord—Good Shepherd	—	—	—	—
Culver City—Grace	1,063.00	2,613.00	400.00	400.00
Downey—Christ	—	—	55.25	55.25
El Cajon—St. John's	—	—	—	—
El Monte—Redeemer	—	27.45	—	44.80
Fresno—Faith	—	1,362.50	29.10	29.10
Fresno—First	120.00	5,681.25	217.73	562.94
Fresno—Luther Memirial	44.25	413.00	—	—
Fresno—St. Paul's	—	285.00	—	—
Gardena—St. John's	42.00	1,362.00	—	730.20
Glendale—First	500.00	5,175.00	1,074.33	2,400.00
Globe—St. Paul's	48.91	305.91	—	—
Hollywood—Hollywood	180.00	3,564.13	217.38	841.11
Honolulu—Honolulu	133.60	245.88	239.98	259.98
Honolulu—Pearl Harbor	12.30	24.30	20.00	20.00
Honolulu—St. Paul's	114.69	963.00	99.40	99.40
Huntington Park—St. Luke's	223.61	1,451.51	407.10	1,182.61
Inglewood—Holy Trinity	63.20	3,313.20	290.00	444.56
La Canada—Foothills	—	560.00	50.00	301.55
Lakewood—Mount Olivet	—	—	—	—
Lanikai—St. John's	—	—	—	—
Las Vegas—Reformation	20.00	566.00	178.60	243.60
Lihue—Lihue	—	—	—	—
Long Beach—Faith	—	543.65	20.00	20.00
Long Beach—Gloria Dei	—	—	—	—
Long Beach—Lakewood	—	500.00	150.00	150.00
Long Beach—Trinity	5.00	11,704.15	1,273.27	4,136.13
Los Angeles—Advent	163.00	3,719.87	107.65	481.60
Los Angeles—Bethany	—	131.00	—	19.00
Los Angeles—First English	—	10,100.00	—	1,000.00
Los Angeles—Peace	—	—	—	85.30
Los Angeles—St. Mark's	6.66	1,530.76	41.81	273.46

Congregation	P.L.S.A. 1954	P.L.S.A. Total	CRUSADE FOR YOUTH 1954	CRUSADE FOR YOUTH Total
Los Angeles—Transfiguration	30.00	476.11	100.00	200.00
Manhattan Beach—Trinity	—	—	—	—
Monterey Park—St. Paul's	46.00	1,509.26	115.00	572.80
Mountain View—Immanuel	—	—	—	—
Norco—Bethany	13.50	400.00	—	—
North Highlands—Proposed Miss.	—	—	—	—
North Hollywood—St. Matthew's	—	4,863.05	212.78	662.78
Oakland—First	476.40	3,052.45	100.00	304.25
Oakland—St. John's	—	1,595.75	—	—
Orange—Our Saviour's	—	—	—	—
Orinda—Shepherd of the Valley	—	—	—	—
Pasadena—Trinity	121.00	8,475.30	530.00	1,958.00
Phoenix—Faith	1,246.58	4,646.58	39.20	164.70
Phoenix—Grace	40.00	2,040.00	—	—
Phoenix—Mount of Olives	—	—	—	—
Pomona—Trinity	—	—	10.50	283.45
Redding—United	—	434.00	—	—
Redlands—First	20.00	557.00	7.00	485.00
Redwood City—Messiah	107.70	107.70	—	—
Reno—Good Shepherd	—	—	—	—
Richmond—Grace	657.18	3,591.71	150.00	557.55
Richmond—St. James	—	1,215.00	769.04	944.50
Riverside—Trinity	—	3,322.35	—	1,000.00
Sacramento—First English	96.50	3,389.15	370.00	370.00
Sacramento—Our Redeemer	—	—	19.26	37.07
Sacramento—St. John's	128.00	8,966.65	1,579.85	3,839.12
Sacramento—St. Paul's	—	1,084.50	—	405.00
San Bernardino—First	—	1,129.50	—	270.35
San Diego—Christ	—	3,880.00	—	1,010.00
San Diego—First	1,375.00	4,378.58	240.00	409.00
San Diego—St. Peter's	—	252.06	100.00	149.05
San Fernando—St. Mark's	—	—	—	—
San Francisco—First United	—	1,300.31	100.00	262.45
San Francisco—St. Mark's	215.43	3,759.39	100.00	100.00
San Francisco—St. Matthew's	—	1,815.00	—	—
San Francisco—Temple	—	1,266.90	—	—
Sanger—St. Paul's	—	142.00	—	126.95
San Jose—Bethany	10.00	356.78	19.55	76.71
San Jose—Grace	65.38	2,765.38	—	—
San Leandro—Epiphany	195.00	1,924.80	—	—
San Mateo—St. Andrew's	—	3,567.90	84.00	145.00
Santa Ana—United	25.00	258.00	—	—
Santa Barbara—Grace	50.00	2,048.00	160.00	511.80
Santa Cruz—St. Stephen's	21.31	21.31	50.00	156.35
Santa Monica—St. Paul's	—	1,583.03	284.35	795.48
Sutter Creek—Mount Olive Parish	11.50	167.50	24.50	86.83
Tucson—Our Saviour's	—	2,117.49	—	467.38
Vallejo—St. Paul's	166.75	2,151.17	—	264.95
Van Nuys—St. Andrew's	191.12	1,843.00	—	—
Walnut Creek—Proposed Mission	—	—	—	—
West Covina—Our Savior	—	—	—	—
Westwood—Village	—	50.00	—	—
Whittier—Salem	180.00	2,012.00	57.00	1,905.00
Yreka—Mt. Zion	120.69	203.69	—	35.30
Yuma—Faith	—	—	27.00	54.00
Individuals	104.50	3,368.31	150.00	371.47
	$ 9,236.06	$160,639.31	$10,515.62	$34,657.69

Motion prevailed that the Treasurer's Report be received and accepted subject to audit.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS

The Committee on Constitutions has examined and found satisfactory constitutions submitted by:

St. John's Lutheran Church of Kailua, Lanikai, Hawaii
St. John's Lutheran Church, El Cajon, California
Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Orange, California
Our Savior Lutheran Church, West Covina, California
Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mountain View, California
Grace Lutheran Church, Ajo, Arizona
Luther Memorial Church, Fresno, California

The last meeting of Synod referred to this Committee the question of limiting the number of terms of office that might be served consecutively by a president of this Synod.

It is the opinion of this Committee, based on the known experience of only two synods of the ULCA with such limitations on their full time presidents, and on consultation with President Fry of The United Lutheran Church in America, that placing any limit on the number of terms of office to which a president might be elected successively would be in conflict with:

(a) the true concept of the Call under the guidance of the Holy Spirit;
(b) the best interest of Synod;
(c) the best use of top level manpower.

We recommend, therefore, that there be no constitutional enactment limiting the number of terms of office any individual might serve consecutively as of this body.

Respectfully submitted,
The Rev. F. A. Smith, Chairman
The Rev. A. J. Soldan
Mr. Paul Breckenridge

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Committee on Constitutions be adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON A SYNOD-WIDE LAYMAN'S ORGANIZATION

The Executive Committee appointed the lay members of their committee to investigate and recommend to it their suggestions toward "bringing a strong Synod-wide Layman's organization into being." The following report was received by the Executive Committee:

"We find that the Southern Conference of our Synod has in operation an effective layman's group, organized to assist the layman's activities of the congregations, and to implement the programs of the Conference.

"It is the suggestion of this committee that the other Conferences institute and bring into being layman's groups similar to that of the Southern Conference, and upon such organization the officers of each conference group would then constitute, together with a lty member of the Executive Committee of Synod as ex-officio member, an Executive Board of lay activity of the Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

"Such an Executive Board would serve to inform the laity, through the conferences represented, of the work of the Synod, and would thus correlate the lay activity throughout the Synod in the purpose and growth of our Church in the territory in which it serves.

"Organization of such conference groups should be instigated by the laymen and accomplished in council with officers of such conference, with operations in strict accord with the constitution of conferences as recently adopted by them."

R. B. Cummings
Leo Johnston
Paul Thomas
Carl Bell
Albert L. H. Gercke

Motion prevailed that the Report of the Committee on Synod-wide Layman's Organization be adopted.

REPORT OF THE ARIZONA CONFERENCE

November 7, 1954 was the date of the Arizona Conference of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of The Pacific Southwest. Delegates from Globe, Ajo, Yuma, Tucson and Phoenix attended this first official Conference at Grace Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona.

At the opening session, held in conjunction with the Auxiliaries of the Church, Dr. Carl Tambert, President of Synod, spoke on the theme, "God's Blueprint for a Christian Church." Dr. Frances Dysinger, speaker at the Fellowship Supper used as her topic, "God's Blueprint as Related to The Women of the Church."

Officers and members of the Executive Committee elected were: President, Pastor Frank Clutz; Vice President, Pastor George Spindt; Secretary, Pastor Franklin H. Schott; Treasurer, Mr. H. R. Lind.

Adoption of a "Plan of Procedures" governing the activities of the Conference, acceptance of a Conference Budget, and a general discussion on the Synodical Budget were among the various items of business.

The Conference came to an official close after the installation of officers.

January 25, 1955

The Arizona Conference meeting in session on the above date, in St. Michael's Lutheran Church of Berkeley, California, discussed the appointment of Committees, the Evangelism Mission, its camping program and its Fall Rally.

Announcements were made of the Service of Dedication for Faith Lutheran Church of Phoenix on March 13 at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 30, at 3 p.m.

A motion was passed requesting the President of Conference to make an announcement to the Synod regarding a certain phase of our coming Evangelism Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin H. Schott, Secretary

REPORT OF THE HAWAIIAN CONFERENCE

The Hawaiian Conference met December 10, 11, 12, 1954, sessions were held in each of the three churches in the Honolulu area.

The following officers were elected:

President—The Rev. Glen O. Balsley
Vice President—The Rev. Thomas A. Allport
Secretary—The Rev. James M. Fincher
Treasurer—Mr. Ira Bashore

A brief resume of the history of each church in the Hawaiian Conference was presented by the pastor.

The Plan of Procedure for Conference was adopted as amended.

Treasurer's report was presented and accepted.

Proposed Budget was presented and accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Fincher, Secretary

REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE

The Northern Conference met at the First United Lutheran Church in San Francisco November 1 and 2, 1954. The following officers were elected:

President—The Rev. Kenneth Senft
Vice President—The Rev. Morgan Edwards
Secretary—The Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr.
Treasurer—Mr. George Miksch

The Plan of Procedure for Conferences was adopted, with few changes, unanimously.

Pastor Vernon Kotter extended an invitation to the Northern Conference to hold its Fall Meeting 1955 in Reno, Nevada. The invitation was referred to the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert S. Hidy, Jr., Secretary

REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

The Southern Conference held its Annual Pre-Lenten Retreat on March 1 and 2, 1954 at Forest Home. Guest speaker for the occasion was the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., President of Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary.

The Annual Fall Convention of the Southern Conference was held at St. Peter's-by-the-Sea Lutheran Church, San Diego, the Rev. Vlad Benko, pastor, October 20-21, 1954. A "Plan of Procedures" was adopted and substituted for the constitution of the Southern Conference.

Officers elected for the ensuing year were as follows:

President—The Rev. John E. Simmons
Vice President—The Rev. John Stump
Secretary—The Rev. John Steinhaus
Treasurer—Mr. Bernard Wahl

The Convention accepted the invitation of First Lutheran Church, Redlands for the 1955 Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
John Steinhaus, Secretary

A special meeting of Conference was held during Synod Convention in Berkeley on January 25, 1955. Two reports were heard:

1. The forthcoming Pastor's Pre-Lenten Retreat will be at Forest Home, February 15 and 16, with the Rev. G. E. Lenski, Ph.D., as special guest speaker.
2. The Los Angeles Area NLC Evangelism Program will be conducted October 30-November 3 with all Conference congregations urged to participate.

Since receiving this report the Executive Committee is happy to note that the laymen of the Northern Conference have met and requested the assistance of the conference officers in organizing. Provisions have also been made in the Arizona Conference for a lay group, although we have no definite word as to whether organization has taken place.

Present and former officers of the Southern Conference Brotherhood have offered their services to assist the other conferences in establishing similar groups and will be happy to counsel with them if requested.

Motion prevailed that all reports of the Conferences be adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest, in fulfilling its constitutionally assigned functions and the directives of Synod, held six regular meetings since the last Convention of Synod. The actions listed below are a summary of the assignments given to the Committee by Synod or inherent in its constitutionally defined duties:

Authorized the President of Synod to borrow $20,000 (an additional) from the congregations of Synod for the Interim Financing Program of Missions.

Authorized property purchases for mission congregations as indicated in the Home Mission Report and supplied interim financing until formal approval of the same by the Board of American Missions.

Authorized the closing of the Trailer Ministry of the Mother Lode country, the Board of American Missions concurring.

Approved the Salary-Aid Requests of mission congregations from the Board of American Missions as contained in the Home Mission Report.

Approved the Student Aid Requests as reported by the Committee on Church Vocations.

Fulfilled mandate of Synod to provide a Synodical supplement to income from pensions and/or salaries sufficient to provide Dr. James P. Beasom with an annual income of $3600.

Arranged a testimonial reception for Dr. James P. Beasom.

Arranged for the Installation of Dr. Carl V. Tambert as President of Synod.

Fulfilled the mandate of Synod to give assistance to the Luther League thus insuring adequate representation at the National Luther League Convention.

Fulfilled the mandate of Synod to elect a Home Mission Supervisor of Synod in place of the Office of the Assistant to the President. The Committee elected the Rev. H. Paul Romeis for a term of office of five years, said office to expire three months after the term of office of the President of Synod.

Appointed the Nominating Committee for the 1955 Convention. Members of the Committee thus appointed were: The Rev. John Stump, Chairman; Pastors Arthur Alm, Franklin Schott, Donald Wagner, and Layman Robert Brammer.

Elected the Rev. Carl Moyer, Trinity Lutheran Church, Pasadena, California, to fulfill the unexpired term of the Rev. J. Benner Weaver who moved from the territory of Synod.

Elected the Rev. John G. Simmons, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, North Hollywood, California, as Secretary of Synod to fulfill the unexpired term of the Rev. Paul Wolpert, who passed into eternal life July 29.

Appointed the Rev. Clarence Crouser, Grace Lutheran Church, San Jose, California, as Necrologist to fulfill the unexpired term of Dr. Howard Anspach, resigned.

Authorized the showing of the new Cathedral Film "Day of Triumph" at the 1955 Convention, provided adequate arrangements can be made for the showing.

Moved to attend the general special Board Meeting of Midland College at Fremont, Nebraska, involving all the Executive Committees of their constituent Synods, January 5 and 6, 1955 to review the expansion plans of the College.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Executive Committee recommends:

1. That the following congregations be received into the membership of the Synod:
   Grace Lutheran Church, Ajo, Arizona
   Luther Memorial, Fresno, California
   Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mountain View, California
   Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Orange, California
   Our Savior's Lutheran Church, West Covina, California
   St. John's Lutheran Church, El Cajon, California
   St. John's Lutheran Church of Kailua, Lanikai, T. H.

2. That all congregations who have not already adopted the Model Constitution for congregations as the official constitution of their congregation be urged to do so and to communicate the adoption to the President, the Secretary of Synod, and the Chairman of the Committee on Constitutions.

3. That the study of the Grace System of Congregational Giving to Synod be continued for another year in order that a complete report may be available at the 1956 Convention of Synod.

4. That Synod publish a monthly paper for weekly or monthly use by congregations and that the paper be entitled **The Pacific Southwest Lutheran.**

5. That Synod approve a Theological Conference similar to the one that was held at Yosemite the first week in September. Said Conference to be held jointly with the National Lutheran Council bodies.

Respectfully submitted,
John G. Simmons, Secretary

Motion prevailed that the Recommendations of the Executive Committee be adopted seriatim.

Recommendation #1—Adopted January 24.
Recommendation #2—Adopted.
Recommendation #3—Adopted.
Recommendation #4—Adopted.
Recommendation #5—Adopted with amendment of the words "for Pastors," "1954" and "favor."

Motion prevailed that the report be adopted as a whole.

The first reading of the Amendment to the By-Laws and items considered seriatim, to wit:

III. The following amendments to the By-Laws:

SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 1. Substitute for paragraph 1 the following:

This Synod shall meet annually during the month of May, or at the call of the Executive Committee.

SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 6. Substitute the date "January 15th" for "Dec. 31st."

Section II, Paragraph 7. Strike the last sentence of the paragraph, beginning with the words "By traveling expenses" and insert the following:

By traveling expenses is meant railroad fare by the most direct route, including lower berth rate where overnight travel is necessary, or air coach fare, or if by automobile at the rate of 4c per mile for one delegate or 7c per mile for two or more delegates traveling in the same car. By railroad fare is meant clergy rates and regular fare for laymen.

SECTION II, PARAGRAPH 8. Add second paragraph as follows:

Pastors of mission congregations in the Hawaiian Islands entitled to furloughs under the regulations of the Board of American Missions shall, whenever possible, be the delegate of their congregation to the Convention of Synod in their furlough year.

IV. The Executive Committee recommends that the Sunday Schools of our congregations be urged to contribute benevolent funds to Synod for the possible support of a Christian Education and Youth Worker.

It is further recommended that a survey be made by the Christian Education Committee of the Synod of possible amounts of such contributions for this purpose.

V. The Executive Committee recommends that the Committee on a Synod-wide Layman's Organization be continued for another year.

VI. The Executive Committee recommends that the Statement of Acceptable Methods for Raising Funds in Congregations of the Synod, as found on pages 6 and 7 of Supplement 1 to the Bulletin of Reports, be approved and that the Stewardship Committee of Synod be charged with the distribution of this statement to all congregations.

A STATEMENT OF ACCEPTABLE METHODS FOR RAISING FUNDS IN CONGREGATIONS OF THE SYNOD

In conformity with the desire of Synod as expressed in its action at the 1954 Convention (page 76 of Minutes) "The Executive Committee be requested to prepare, in collaboration with the Committee on Stewardship, a statement of acceptable methods for raising funds in congregations of the Synod," the committee reports:

Inasmuch as The United Lutheran Church in America meeting in conventions has spoken clearly on this matter, and

Inasmuch as the Michigan and Florida Synods have issued concise and direct statements in this regard,

We recommend that Synod adopt the following:

"That every congregation discourage the use of suppers, bazaars, and any other form of commercialism as money raising projects, and follow the approved plans of the U.L.C.A. as expressed by the L.L.M. for Stewardship." (This should not be confused with taking of reservations for a father-son banquet; mother and daughter banquet; or any other congregational program in which the purchase of food is involved; or where the function's primary purpose is fellowship or entertainment; but where no attempt is made to make the activity a money raising scheme.)

God stands ready to bless in the degree that we are faithful.

We are happy to note that there is a steady increase in the Scriptural emphasis on giving by the congregations of the Synod of the Pacific Southwest. Certainly God has blessed us when we have been faithful in our Stewardship. Some religious bodies approve suppers for profit, bazaars, raffles, baked goods' sales, rummage sales, and the selling of all kinds of products for the raising of funds. This certainly the position of the United Lutheran Church, its Board of American Missions, or the is not in conformity with true Christian Stewardship as we believe it to be, nor is it Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

God's plan is "bring you into the storehouse of the Lord a tithe . . . " "give and it shall be given unto you. . . " "God loveth a cheerful giver."

It requires courage and faith on the part of pastors and leaders in a congregation to adopt and follow God's plan of Stewardship.

Commercialism is inappropriate to the character of the Church, is inconsistent with the purpose of the Church and weakens the witness of the Church in the Community. It discourages the freewill offerings motivated by love and gratitude and thus tends to undermine true Christian Stewardship.

Commercialism in self-supporting congregations creates perplexity in mission congregations which are not permitted to engage in such practices. The Board of American Missions in adopting this rule seeks to uphold the official position of the U.L.C.A.

The United Lutheran Church in America officially opposed "anti-scriptural" methods of Church financing.

A. 1932 Convention:

"That in view of the evil influence upon our missions, which are forbidden the use of questionable methods of financing, our United Lutheran Church commends Scriptural giving as the only approved method."

—unanimously adopted.

B. 1936 Convention:

"We request pastors and Church leaders to urge upon Christians the need for conscientious avoidance of everything that bears any taint of the gambling spirit; to be scrupulously careful that all money raising efforts of their respective congregations or auxiliary organizations be Scriptural . . . "

—unanimously voted.

Congregations which have abandoned commercialism are virtually unanimous in reporting their finances in much better condition than was the case when merchandising was permitted.

We strongly urge the adoption of the above statement by all our Churches and their auxiliaries.

Motion prevailed to adopt report with minor changes.

Motion prevailed for adoption of Section II, Paragraph 1.

Motion prevailed that Section II, Paragraph 6 be referred back to the Executive Committee.

Motion prevailed that Section 2 Paragraph 7 be adopted.

Motion prevailed that Section II, Paragraph 8 be adopted.

Motion prevailed to refer IV to consideration of Budget.

Motion prevailed that V be adopted.

Motion for a brief period of prayer by Synodical Chaplain.

Motion to extend session for 5 minutes.

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee bring a positive statement of Christian Stewardship to the Convention.

Mr. Chester Myrom, U.L.C.A. representative again addressed the Convention.

Motion prevailed to reconvene immediately following the Banquet at 9 p.m.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Chaplain.

SEVENTH SESSION

January 26, 1955 — 6:30 p.m.

The Convention Banquet was held in the Social Room of St. Michael's Church. The theme "Preaching, Teaching, Reaching."

Speakers for the Banquet were Dr. George R. Hedley, Chaplain, Mills College and the Rev. Dale E. Click, Social Mission representative.

Dr. and Mrs. Tambert were presented leis by the delegates from Hawaii.

Words of appreciation were expressed to the host church and also to the ladies who prepared the dinner.

SPECIAL SESSION

The special session opened with prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

Motion to adopt the Budget with the following change Supplemental figure to read $28,621.00 and total $135,227.00. Entire total $270,454.52.

Motion prevailed to refer Budget to the Executive Committee for special order.

Pastor Hidy reported on the Bay area surveys.

Pastor Romeis presented the Report of the Home Missions Committee.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS

As the Home Mission activities of the Pacific Southwest Synod are under the direction of the Executive Committee, information regarding this major work is found also in the reports of the Executive Committee, the President of Synod, and the Comptroller. The activities here reported are those primarily assignd to the Mission Supervisor of Synod.

MISSIONS ORGANIZED

The forward March of Missions continues with seven new congregations organized in 1954:

Ajo, Arizona, Grace	The Rev. B. Bjarnason	March 28, 1954
Fresno, California, Luther Memorial	The Rev. Hugh Dowler	April 4, 1954
Mountain View, California, Immanuel	The Rev. Peter Schroder	April 11, 1954
El Cajon, California, St. John's	The Rev. James Bishop	April 25, 1954
West Covina, California, Our Savior	The Rev. Charles Witthoft	June 13, 1954
Orange, California, Our Saviour's	The Rev. Harold Schluntz	June 27, 1954
Kailua, Lanakai, Hawaii, St. John's	The Rev. Franklin Swanson	Dec. 12, 1954

FIELDS SURVEYED

Nine new fields, allocated to the U.L.C.A. by the Regional Home Missions Committee of the N.L.C. were surveyed:

Buena Park, California
Sanger, California (Relocation)
Monterey, California
San Rafael, California (Santa Venetia)
Tucson, Arizona (N. E. Section)
Sunland, California
Duarte, California
Rialto, California
Cambrian Park, California

Of the nine fields surveyed, eight have been approved for occupancy, a remarkable record. The survey of the ninth field, Cambrian Park, has just been completed and was made by the students of Pacific Seminary as a part of their clinical training. This survey will be before the Board of American Missions for approval in February 1955. All credit for these excellent surveys must be given to the fine corp of surveyors who made them: Miss Vera Karrow, Miss Margaret Minke, Mr. and Mrs. William Klover, and the student body of the Seminary; particularly to Miss Karrow who made several of them alone and had a part in everyone of the nine. Synod's thanks and appreciation are extended to all these surveyors.

NEW FIELDS ENTERED

In six new areas work has been begun, congregations are being gathered, and services are being held, looking forward to organization:

Canoga Park, California	Board Missionary Kenneth Olson
North Highlands, California	Board Missionary Henry Reenstjerna
Walnut Creek, California	Board Missionary Robert Varblow
Duarte, California	Board Missionary Dr. Arthur Knudten
Rialto, California	Board Missionary Charles Clark
Tucson, Arizona	Board Missionary Garrett Genszler (called)

CONGREGATIONS GRANTED MISSION STATUS

St. Paul's, Sanger was granted mission status and the Rev. Fred Grant Ranlett called as pastor, in order to relocate the Church and establish an English mission.

NEW FIELDS ALLOCATED

The following fields have been allocated to our Synod by the Regional Home Mission Committees of Northern and Southern California; these fields must now be surveyed:

Fort Huachuca, Arizona
Corona del Mar, California
Tarzana, California
Pacoima, California
Westminster, California
Las Vegas, Nevada (west side)
Glendale, Arizona
Lindemar, California
Saratoga-El Quito Park, California
Saratoga-Los Gatos, California
Pinole, California

ANTICIPATORY ALLOCATIONS

The following fields have been allocated to us by the Regional Home Mission Committees on an anticipatory basis, in order to watch developments and for the purpose of purchasing property, if advisable:

Riverside, California (University area)
Sepulveda, California
Burlingame, California (Mills Estate)
Palo Alto, California (University area)
Milpitas, California
Santa Clara, California (West side)
Wildcat Canyon, California
Lake Tahoe, California (South area)

VACANT AND TEMPORARILY SUPPLIED MISSIONS

Azusa, Calvary: supplied by Dr. E. F. Valbracht
Naples, Gloria Dei: supplied by the Rev. Theodore Foreid
Concord, Good Shepherd: supplied from Seminary

SPECIAL MISSIONS

Los Angeles, Japanese Work	Dr. L. S. G. Miller
Los Angeles, Peace Latvian	The Rev. Oscar Kleinbergs

SALARY-AID MISSIONS

The following fifty-two missions receive annual grants from the Board of American Missions toward the pastor's salary. The amount of the Salary-Aid grant for 1955 is shown for each congregation:

Ajo, Arizona, Grace	Rev. B. A. Bjarnason	$1800
Alhambra, Our Saviour	Rev. Walter M. Stuhr	1320
Altadena, Altadena Lutheran	Rev. Titus R. Scholl	1200
Azusa, Calvary	Supplied; Dr. E. F. Valbracht	1200
Baldwin Park, Ascension	Rev. Henry Scherer	1680
Berkeley, Shepherd-of-the-Hills	Rev. Toivo K. Harjunpaa	2700
Burbank, Luther Memorial	Rev. Loraine A. Failing	1260*
Culver City, Grace	Rev. William H. Blough	720
Downey, Christ	Rev. Neale O. Jenson	2160
El Cajon, St. John's	Rev. James P. Bishop	3000
El Monte, Redeemer	Rev. John B. Nield	1380
Fresno, Faith	Rev. Goodwin T. Olson	2280
Fresno, Luther Memorial	Rev. Hugh Dowler	1800
Globe, Arizona, St. Paul's	Rev. Jack W. Glidewell	1860
Honolulu, Pearl Harbor	Rev. James M. Fincher	2580
Honolulu, St. Paul's	Rev. Ernest W. Vetter	2700*
LaCanada, Foothills	Rev. John P. Stump	1020
Lakewood, Mt. Olivet	Rev. James A. Youngquist	2400
Las Vegas, Nevada, Reformation	Rev. William C. Arbaugh	2400
Lihue, Lihue Lutheran	Rev. Thomas Allport	1200
	Miss Ann Pasjack, Parish Worker	2700
Long Beach, Faith	Rev. Lloyd Sturtevant	1080
Long Beach, Gloria Dei	Supplied; Rev. Theo. Foreid	3600
Long Beach, Lakewood	Rev. Louis F. Mertz	960
Los Angeles, Transfiguration	Rev. Clifford B. Holand	1260
Manhattan Beach, Trinity	Rev. Richard O. Scherch	1740
Monterey Park, St. Paul's	Rev. Richard M. Bennett	600*
Mountain View, Immanuel	Rev. Peter C. Schroder, Jr.	2400
Norco, Bethany	Rev. Bruno I. Ederma	2460
Orange, Our Saviour's	Rev. Harold P. Schluntz	3000
Orinda, Shepherd of the Valley	Rev. Edward R. Andersen	2160
Phoenix, Arizona, Mt. of Olives	Rev. Franklin H. Schott	2400
Pomona, Trinity	Rev. J. William Bowman	1440
Redding-Central Valley Parish	Rev. Kenneth E. Linton	1680
Redwood City, Messiah	Rev. Kenneth C. Senft	2040
Reno, Nevada, Good Shepherd	Rev. Vernon C. Kotter	1560
Richmond, St. James'	Rev. Harry D. Durkee	900
Sacramento, Our Redeemer	Rev. George E. Steffens	2160
Sacramento, St. Paul's	Rev. Charles A. Miley	960*
San Diego, Christ	Rev. Quentin P. Garman	1020
San Diego, St. Peter	Rev. Vlad P. Benko	1500

San Fernando, St. Mark's	Rev. M. John Fellner	1680
San Francisco, First	Rev. Kenneth E. Hartzheim	1080
Sanger, St. Paul's	Rev. Fred G. Ranlett	1200
San Jose, Bethany	Rev. George R. Flora	2400
San Leandro, Epiphany	Rev. Albert S. Hidy, Jr.	1800
Santa Ana, United	Rev. Raymond L. Nickel	2280
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	Rev. Charles A. Endter	2460
Tucson, Arizona, Our Saviour's	Rev. George A. Spindt	600
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	Rev. Christian H. Meyer	1800
West Covina, Our Savior	Rev. Charles M. Witthoft	2400
Yreka, Mt. Zion	Rev. Richard C. Arthur	1380
Yuma, Arizona, Faith	Rev. Stanley E. Olson	2160

(*Supported by the Women's Missionary Society)

LOAN MISSIONS

The following established congregations have Church building loans from the Board of American Missions, and hence are designated "loan missions" in contrast to the "Salary-Aid" missions. The unpaid balance of the loan is indicated in each case:

LOAN MISSIONS OF SYNOD

Berkeley, St. Michael's	The Rev. Ross Hidy	$10,890
Honolulu, Honolulu Lutheran	The Rev. Glen O. Balsley	10,250
Inglewood, Holy Trinity	Vacant	33,050
Los Angeles, Beverly Hills	The Rev. George K. Attwood	6,875
Phoenix, Faith	The Rev. Frank H. Clutz	38,000
Richmond, Grace	The Rev. Milus Bonker	35,000
San Diego, First	The Rev. E. A. Vosseler	5,000
San Mateo, St. Andrew	The Rev. J. H. Meyer	32,019
Santa Monica, St. Paul	The Rev. W. W. Klover	26,000
Vallejo, St. Paul	The Rev. R. C. Wheatley	19,588
Whittier, Salem	The Rev. D. E. Robison	7,487

VISITS OF BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS STAFF MEMBERS

In the first three months of 1955, three staff members of the Board of American Missions will come to our Synod to visit missions and new fields. Dr. Elwood Bowman, Director of Church Extension, will be on our territory January 4-16. From February 17 to March 3, Dr. Donald Houser, Assistant Secretary of English Missions, will make a complete tour of our missions; and the first full week in March Dr. Karl Henry, Secretary of Survey and Research, will look over our new fields.

APPRECIATION

Once again we express the gratitude and appreciation of Synod to the members and staff of the Board of American Missions for their interest, assistance, and wholehearted support of the program on our territory; to the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. and to the Synodical Women's Missionary Society for their continued financial support; and to the pastors and members of our Churches, who, besides the prompt payment of the full apportionment, have assisted in numerous ways the furtherance of the mission program and the missions. All together these make possible the splendid, steady forward March of Missions in the Synod of the Pacific Southwest.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Paul Romeis

Mission Supervisor

The Amendments to the Constitution of the U.L.C.A. as adopted at the Toronto Convention in October 1954 were proposed to the Synod and ratified as follows:

ARTICLE V

Delegates

Section 1. Each Synod connected with The United Lutheran Church in America shall be entitled to representation at its Conventions by an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates to a number determined by the Executive Board according to the number of pastoral charges on its roll; provided, however, that each Synod shall be entitled to at least one ministerial and one lay delegate. The maximum number of delegates to the Convention shall be approximately seven hundred, this restriction to be safeguarded through adjustments in the ratio of representation by action of any Convention upon recommendation of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VII

Conventions

Section 1. A convention of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be held at least once in every two years in the month of October at such time and place as determined by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

Section 1. The officers of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer. The President shall be an ordained minister of the Church. The President and the Secretary shall be, and the Treasurer may be, full-time officers. No officer shall serve after December 31 of the year in which he has reached the age of 68 years, except that an officer who reaches the age of 68 years in a non-convention year may serve until December 31 of the next convention year. term of six years and he shall be eligible for election for additional terms, except Subject to this proviso each convention shall elect by ballot one such officer for a that all of such officers shall be elected by the convention at the first meeting following the effective date of this Section with terms as follows: Treasurer—2 years; Secretary—4 years; President—6 years. Officers shall be subject to recall or dismissal as provided in the By-Laws. The officers shall take office on the first day of the third month after their election. In the event of a vacancy in one of the offices of the Church the Executive Board shall fill the vacancy for a term to expire December 31 of the year of the next convention; in the event of the retirement of an officer on age before the expiration of his term of office his successor shall be elected for the unexpired term at the convention next preceding the date of his retirement.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

Section 2. The President of the Church shall be its leader and counsellor in matters spiritual and temporal. He shall be the chief representative of the Church. He shall be the chief executive officer of the Church and shall preside at all sessions of the convention; he shall appoint standing committees and special committees not otherwise provided for; he shall see that the Constitution is observed and that resolutions are carried out; he shall sign all official documents that may require the signature of the President of the Church; he shall discharge such other duties as are delegated to him by the Convention or the Executive Board; he shall supervise and direct the carrying out of the policies and decisions of the Church made in convention and by the Executive Board, and shall have oversight of the activities of the office of Secretary and of the office of Treasurer.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

Section 3. The Secretary shall be the recording and statistical officer of the Church and the custodian of the official seal; he shall attest all documents of the body and shall publish the time and place of the next meeting at least two months in advance. In case of a special meeting he shall give written notice thereof to the President of each of the Synods immediately upon the issue of the call and shall publish the same at least thirty days in advance of the meeting.

ARTICLE IX

Officers

Section 4. The Treasurer shall be the chief fiscal officer of the Church. He shall receive and disburse all monies and keep an account of all his transactions. He shall make disbursements only upon the order of the President attested by the Secretary. He shall make disbursements only upon the counter signature of such officer, officers or staff member as may from time to time be designated by the Executive Board. He shall be required to give corporate surety in the amount determined by the Executive Board, the premium therefor to be paid by the Church. He may give written advice on financial policies to boards, agencies and auxiliaries and make report of such advice to the next convention of the Church. He shall submit to the convention of the Church and to the Executive Board reports of the financial affairs of the Church.

ARTICLE XI

The Executive Board

Section 1. The Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, which shall also be its Board of Trustees, shall consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the Church, who shall be the officers of the Executive Board, together with nine ministerial and nine lay members, who shall be elected by the convention for a term of four years. It shall meet at stated times.

ARTICLE XI

The Executive Board

Section 2. At the first election after this article becomes effective, five ministerial and five lay members shall be elected to serve four years, and one ministerial and one lay member shall be elected to serve two years. At the second election after this article becomes effective, four ministerial and four lay members shall be elected to serve four years. Thereafter, five ministerial and five lay members or four ministerial and four lay members shall be elected alternatingly at successive regular conventions to serve four years.

ARTICLE XI

The Executive Board

Section 3. The Executive Board shall act for The United Lutheran Church in America during the interim between the conventions of the Church.

The Executive Board shall be subject to the resolutions, decisions, and policies of the convention of the Church. During the interim between the conventions of the Church, and within the limitations contained in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Church, the Executive Board shall promote and carry forward the work and objectives of The United Lutheran Church in America and, in order to coordinate their work and to assure adherence to the constitutional requirements and to the mandates of the Church, shall have a general oversight of the work of its officers, boards, agencies, auxiliaries and committees.

It shall be among the duties of the Executive Board to:

1. Execute all resolutions of the convention relating to this board.
2. Prepare and present a budget to each regular convention.
3. Make report of its acts to the convention.
4. Discharge all other duties imposed upon it by the Constitution, the By-Laws, or the convention.
5. Fill vacancies not otherwise provided for.
6. Administer, through Departments, work in such fields as Church Architecture; Press, Radio and Television; Stewardship; and Worship.
7. Develop the long-range plans of the Church for approval by the convention.
8. Serve between conventions as the clearing agency for review and approval, or formulation, of pronouncements which state the official position of the Church.
9. Review the actions of each board, agency (excepting common agencies), and auxiliary at the first or second meeting of the board, agency or auxiliary at which the actions are taken. This power of review and responsibility shall be interpreted as power of veto of any program or enterprise which shall in the judgment of the Executive Board conflict with or be hurtful to the total program of the Church.

10. Issue calls to ordained ministers and candidates for ordination for approved special service with the right of supervision over their ministry in such special service.

The Executive Board shall have no power, unless specifically vested therewith by the convention, to:

1. Receive any Synod into affiliation with the Church.
2. Abolish any board, agency, auxiliary or committee established by the Constitution, By-Laws or convention.
3. Alter any budget adopted by the convention, or lay any apportionment.
4. Adopt or change any Church Liturgy, Hymnal, or Catechism.
5. Establish formal relations with other general bodies, organizations or movements.
6. Receive or act upon any appeal from a decision of the Commission of Adjudication.

ARTICLE XI

The Executive Board

Section 4. To facilitate effective coordination of effort between the Executive Board and the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church, there shall be a Committee of Executives, whose functions shall be consultative and advisory. Its membership and meetings shall be prescribed by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE XIII

Boards

Section 2. All members of boards shall be elected by The United Lutheran Church in America except that, of the number to be elected to the Board of Pensions each biennium, two of the lay members thereof shall be nominated and elected by the Executive Board of the Church. Vacancies occurring in any board ad interim shall be filled by the Executive Board of the Church on nomination of the board in which the vacancy exists. No person shall be a member of more than one board at one and the same time. No member of any board, including the Executive Board, shall be a member of the Commission of Adjudication, but the President of The United Lutheran Church shall at all times have a seat and voice in all the boards.

ARTICLE XIII

Boards

Section 4. The boards, unless otherwise provided, shall have power to elect their officers and employees, and to carry on their work in accordance with the design of their appointment. No member of a board shall be a salaried employee thereof. Staff personnel of all boards and agencies shall be elected for a term of six years and shall be eligible for election for additional terms, except that no salaried member of the executive staff of a board, agency or auxiliary shall serve after December 31 of the year in which he has reached the age of 68 years. Staff members shall be subject to recall or dismissal on six months notice by action of the electing body taken at a meeting presided over by the President of the Church or his representative.

ARTICLE XIII

Boards

Section 6. Each auxiliary of the Church shall have the right to appoint an advisory member to each board of the Church, with the exception of the Executive Board. The auxiliaries shall bear the expenses of their members in attendance at such board meetings.

ARTICLE XIV

Synods

New Section 4. There shall be a Council of Synodical Presidents which shall meet at least once a year with the officers of the Church for the discussion of the problems, program and plans affecting the synods and The United Lutheran Church in America. Its functions shall be consultative and advisory. Its meetings shall be upon call of the President of the Church at times determined by him or when he receives written request from the Presidents of seven or more synods. The President of the Church shall preside at all meetings of the Council, and the Secretary of the Church shall record the minutes of its meetings and transmit recommendations to the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XIV

Synods

Section 5. Renumbering only.

The foregoing Amendments to the Constitution of the U.L.C.A. were ratified by the Synod.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by the Chaplain.

EIGHTH SESSION

January 27, 1955 — 8:30 a.m.

The eighth session was opened with devotions by the Convention Chaplain on the theme "Destined to Harvest." Dr. Mumm conducted the Bible Study Hour (4).

The Rev. William Blough presented the Report of the Committee on the President's Report.

Report of the Committee on the President's report.

We recommend:

1. That Synod go on record as expressing grateful appreciation to The Rev. James P. Beasom, D.D., for his services as President of Synod from January 1, 1954, through June 30, 1954; that we express our prayerful hope for his continued good health and service in the Kingdom; and that the secretary of Synod be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to him, with an appropriate letter.
2. That Synod express its appreciation to the Rev. Carl V. Tambert, D.D., who in a short six months has shown the willingness, the ability and the consecration to grasp a thorough understanding of the complex duties and responsibilities to which he has been called of God through this Synod.
3. In order that specific emphasis should be brought to bear on certain phases of the report, your Committee presents the following recommendations:
   a. That, as pastors need a pastor, our President be encouraged in this regard; that he be commended for his willingness to act in this capacity; that, in the midst of his manifold duties of administration, he be not unmindful of his spiritual leadership as a pastor to pastors.
   b. That Synod go on record as pledging ourselves, individually and collectively, to 'hold up the right arm' of our President through prayer, personal encouragement, and through a willingness to serve when and where the opportunity presents itself. We commend him to our Heavenly Father, with a prayer for grace, for strength and guidance in his trying work in the Kingdom of our Lord.
4. That in the printed minutes of Synod all official acts of the Synod Presidential office for the year 1954 be included in one report.

Pastor Charles Clark, new Mission Developer at Rialto, presented a gift check to Mission Supervisor Romeis from the first service at the new mission.

Motion prevailed that the Secretary write a letter of thanks to the Rialto mission.

Motion prevailed that the Necrologist include the name of Mrs. Lydia Meyer, deceased, wife of Pastor Emil Meyer in the Necrologist's Report.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was presented by the Chairman, The Rev. F. W. Heinecken.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The Committee presents the following resolutions:

Be It Resolved:

1. That Synod by a rising vote express its gratitude to our Pastor loci, The Rev. Ross F. Hidy, and all his people, for the exceptional hospitality that has been extended us at this 64th Annual Convention.

2. That we as a Synod express our appreciation to the Mayor of the City of Berkeley the Press, Cathedral Film-Fox Theater, the Convention Hotel and all the Community Agencies, who cared for our comforts and needs.
3. That we express an appreciation by a rising vote of thanks to the Chaplain of our Convention, The Rev. Vernon Kotter, Pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Reno, Nevada, for his helpful messages and prayers during our convention.
4. That we express our appreciation to the representative of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, Mr. Chester A. Myron, for all his able presentations, and to all the Presidents, The Executive Board, and all other Boards, Agencies and Officers of the United Lutheran Church in America through the office of the President of the U.L.C.A.
5. That our thanks be conveyed to Midland College for sending its President, Dr. Paul W. Dieckman to us and telling of the work of our College and its needs.
6. That Synod express by a rising vote of thanks to our President, Dr. Carl V. Tambert, for his very pleasing and impartial manner of conducting the sessions, and for his tireless manner in caring for the responsibilities of our Synod.
7. That we commend to the mercy of the Heavenly Father, all Pastors and workers of the church who are ill, in sorrow, or any affliction and that this will be done during the closing devotions of this Convention.
8. That the Secretary send a letter from this Convention to Dr. Franklin C. Fry, President of the U.L.C.A. on the Anniversary of his ten years of service as President of the Church.
9. To refer to the Committee chaired by Pastor Holand. That the Synod endorse the stand of the Councils of Churches in California against gambling for the support of churches and non-profit institutions.
10. That the Church continue its prayers for a just and lasting peace.
11. That the Convention of Synod express its thanks to the Rev. L. A. Failing, who has served nine years as Chairman of Reference and Counsel of the Conventions of Synod.
12. That we urge all our congregations to support in their area and congregations the U.L.C.A. program of Evangelism.
13. That we send copies of the minutes of our Synodical Convention be sent to all our students studying for the ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
F. W. Heinecken, Chairman

Motion prevailed that Items 1 through 12 be adopted seriatim (with a rising vote of thanks for Item 2) and that the report be adopted as a whole.

The Supplemental Report of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee recommends the adoption of:

I. Recommended amendments to the Constitution from the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church.

(1) ARTICLE ONE, Section IV. Insert the following as a new paragraph 8, renumbering the remaining paragraphs 8, 9, and 10 to 9, 10, and 11:
To call ministers or candidates for ordination for special service approved by the synod, with the provision that such calls may be for specified periods of time no longer than the contemplated ministry of the individual in the position in which he is to serve;

(2) ARTICLE FOUR, Paragraph 2. Insert the following words after the final semicolon and just ahead of the words "and of transacting":
of hearing reports from the Committee of Presidents concerning the status of ministerial members of the Synod who are not serving under a call or by election to a full-time office in the Synod or the U.L.C.A., with the exception of those retired because of age or physical incapacity, and of making recommendations to the Synod based thereon;
so that the final paragraph would then read:

To the Ministerium shall belong the duty of passing upon and reporting to the Synod all applications for ordination or reception of ministers recom-

mended by the Examining Committee; of examining and trying cases of heresy in doctrine, or of teaching and preaching in conflict with the doctrinal basis set forth in Article One, Section II; of hearing and trying cases in which appeal is granted by the Synod from the findings of a Committee on Discipline; of hearing reports from the Committee of Presidents concerning the status of ministerial members of the Synod who are not serving under a call or by election to a full-time office in the Synod or the U.L.C.A. with the exception of those retired because of age or physical incapacity, and of making recommendations to the Synod based thereon; and of transacting such other business as the Synod may refer to it.

(3) ARTICLE SIX, Paragraph 2. Strike out the semicolon after the words 'ad interim" in the second line and insert a comma and the following phrase: including the issuing of calls in the name of the Synod to ministers or candidates for ordination for approved special service;
so that paragraph 2 would read as follows:

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to represent the Synod and to carry out its resolutions; to attend to the business of the Synod interim, including the issuing of calls in the name of the Synod to ministers or candidates for ordination for approved special service; to promote the interests of The United Lutheran Church in America and this body's relation thereto; to co-ordinate the work of the several agencies of the Synod; to present a budget with apportionments to the annual convention of the Synod; to fill vacancies not otherwise provided for; and to perform such other work as may be delegated to it by the Synod, to which it shall make full report of its acts.

(4) ARTICLE EIGHT, Section I-A, Paragraph 3, Line 3. Strike out the word "regular" and in Section I-A, Paragraph 4, Line 5, strike out the word "regular" and in Section I-B, Paragraph 2, Line 1, strike out the word "regularly" and in Section I-B-4, Paragraph 2, strike out the two words "regular" in lines 3 and 4.

(5) ARTICLE EIGHT, Section I-A, 3. The last sentence of the paragraph is to be stricken, beginning with "this" and ending with "labor" and the following shall be inserted:
This call shall come from a congregation, this Synod, The United Lutheran Church in America or a board or agency, with authority to issue such calls, whose entire membership is elected by The United Lutheran Church in America, by this Synod acting singly, or by a group of synods of which this Synod is so that the item will read:

3. Every candidate to be ordained by the Synod shall be at least twenty-one years of age and shall exhibit satisfactory evidence to the Examining Committee that he has received a call to preach the Word and administer the Sacraments and that he has accepted the call upon the condition of his ordination by the Synod. This call shall come from a congregation, this Synod, The United Lutheran Church in America or a board or agency, with authority to issue such calls, whose entire membership is elected by The United Lutheran Church in America, by this Synod acting singly, or by a group of synods of which this Synod is one.

(6) ARTICLE EIGHT, Section I-B, 3. Strike out the words between "America" on line 2 and the words "and applies" on line 3 and insert in their place the following:

who has received and accepted a call to a specific field of ministerial labor or for special service as specified in ARTICLE ONE, Section IV, of this Constitution, so that the item will read:

3. Any ordained minister of The Evangelical Lutheran Church, belonging to a Synod not a constituent of The United Lutheran Church in America, who has received and accepted a call to a specific field of ministerial labor or for special service as specified in ARTICLE ONE, Section IV, of this Constitution and applies for admission into this Synod, shall furnish satisfactory evidence of his ordination and of his Christian character, together with a letter of dismissal or testimonial of good standing by the body from which he comes. He shall appear before the Examining Committee

for conference as to his acceptance of the standards prescribed in Article One, Section II, and as to his willingness to give loyal support to the organization and work of this Synod and of The United Lutheran Church in America. If, on favorable report from the Examining Committee to the Ministerium, two-thirds of the ministers present approve, he shall be recommended to the Synod for reception.

(7) ARTICLE EIGHT, Section I-B. Insert a new paragraph numbered 3: present 3 to 4 and present 4 to 5.

Every applicant of the types described in paragraphs 4 and 5 here following shall be in possession of a call from a congregation, this Synod, The United Lutheran Church in America or one of their boards or agencies which have authority to issue such calls.

(8) ARTICLE NINE, Paragraph 2. Substitute the following for the entire Paragraph 2:

In addition to a) pastors of congregations, b) ministerial members who are retired by reason of age or physical incapacity, and c) other ministerial members who, with the approval of the Ministerium, are awaiting a call to a new field of labor, the Synod may include and continue upon its roll d) ministers called by this Synod or The United Lutheran Church in America for special service and e) such other ministers as hold executive, missionary, educational or editorial offices to which they have been elected or called by this Synod, or by The United Lutheran Church in America, or by one of their boards or agencies which have authority to issue such calls.*

*A ministerial member of a synod engaged in religious work without such call or election prior to January 24, 1954 may be continued on the roll of the synod as long as he remains in the position wihch he held on that date.

(9) ARTICLE NINE, Paragraph 9. Insert the word "temporarily" between the words "his name may be" and "continued upon the roll as a member."

(10) ARTICLE NINE, Paragraph 9. Strike out the words beginning in line 6, "who for a period of two or more years have not been engaged in regular" and insert "who are not engaged in approved"

so that the entire ARTICLE NINE, Paragraph 9 will read as follows:

Should a minister belonging to this Synod find himself constrained to leave the specific work of the ministry with the consent of the President of the Synod, his name may be temporarily continued upon the roll as a member. In this connection the Committee of Presidents is to report annually to the Ministerium for consideration and reference a full list of all others than superannuated or physically incapacitated ministers on the roll who are not engaged in approved ministerial work as defined in Paragraph 2 of this Article, and the Ministerium shall decide when it shall recommend to the Synod that the name of a minister whose status is in question should be dropped from the roll of members.

II. The following additional amendments to the Constitution:

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section I, Paragraph 1. Insert the words "a minimum of" between "of" 'and "seven."

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section III, Paragraph 1. Substitute the following for this paragraph:

This Committee shall consist of a minimum of five members and shall include the President of Synod, and at least two ministers and two laymen to be appointed annually by the President of Synod.

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section IV, Paragraph 1, Line 1. Insert the words "a minimum of" between the words "of" and "one."

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section V, Paragraph 1, Line 1. Insert the words "a minimum of" between the words "of" and "one."

ARTICLE SEVEN, Section VI, Paragraph 1, Line 2. Insert the words "a minimum of" between the words "with" and "three."

Motion prevailed that all reports of officers and chairmen of committees shall be in the hands of the President of the Synod **45 days** before the date of the Convention of Synod or as designated by the Executive Committee.

Motion prevailed that the request of Synod to the Executive Committee to present a positive statement on Christian Stewardship to the Convention be referred to the Executive Committee for study and presentation to the 1956 Convention.

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be authorized to prepare a 1956 Budget for Synod. The Budget to be presented as information to the Fall Conference Meetings. The Budget will become operative January 1, 1956, with ratification or adjustment at the Synodical Convention. (Amended by addition). The apportionment for 1956 will be between $12 and $13 per communing member.

The report of the Excuse Committee was presented by the Chairman, The Rev. Charles P. Smith.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES

The Committee on Excuses has received excuses for absence from all sessions from the following pastors on the active or retired roll of Synod: Glen O. Balsley, Willis J. Forsyth, Dwight L. Miley, Earnest A. Trabert, D.D., Howard Anspach, D.D., Albert L. Groseclose, Harvey M. Leech, E. Emory Ackerman, Ph.D., Henry I. Kohler, D.D.; and from layman Leo Johnston, James P. Beasom, D.D.

Excuses have been received for absence from some sessions of Synod from: Pastors Milus Bonker, E. Dale Click, and Arthur Knudten, Ph.D., and from Wm. F. Steffenhagen.

The following Chaplains now on active duty and Pastors serving in the Hawaiian Islands, have been excused according to the constitution: Thomas A. Allport, Franklin Swanson, E. Gene Vossler, Donald Mosling, Edward D. Wright, and Lawrence Vossler.

The following pastors are absent without excuse: Albert Alsop, Edwards J. Lamberts, H. W. K. Falk, Ph.D., and A. J. Soldan, D.D.

Your committee recommends that the President of Synod be instructed to communicate with the absent brethren from whom no excuses have been received and advise them of their constitutional obligation under Article Nine, Paragraph 14, of the Constitution of Synod.

The following congregations are not represented by lay delegates: Grace, Alhambra; Trinity, Pomona; St. Paul's, Fresno; Bethany, Norco; First, Redlands; Transfiguration, Los Angeles; Lakewood, Lakewood; Faith, Fresno; Our Saviour's, Orange; Village Church, Westwood.

Excuses for the lack of lay representation have been received from the following congregations: St. Paul's, Sanger; Cross of Christ, Rialto; Pearl Harbor.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles P. Smith

Motion prevailed that the report be adopted.

The Budget for 1955 was presented.

VIII. The Executive Committee recommends the adoption of the following Budget:

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

Proposed Budget for the Calendar Year 1955

1. APPORTIONMENT — U.L.C.A. Quota		$106,606.00	
Supplemental		28,621.00	$135,227.00
2. HIGHER EDUCATION			
Colleges		$ 7,000.00	
Seminary		33,000.00	
Ministerial		4,000.00	44,000.00
3. PARISH EDUCATION			
Camping Program			6,330.00
4. HOME MISSIONS			25,000.00
5. SOCIAL MISSIONS			
Welfare		$ 800.00	
Home for the Aged		1,200.00	2,000.00
6. INTER-CHURCH ACTIVITIES			
Park Churches		125.00	
Western Lutheran Magazine		50.00	
Lutheran Student Foundations		3,000.00	3,175.00
7. CONVENTIONS			
Synodical		$ 5,200.00	
Printing and Mailing Minutes		2,000.00	
U.L.C.A. Biennial Convention		1,500.00	
Theological Conference		1,400.00	10,100.00
8. COMMITTEES			
Executive Committee		$ 1,500.00	
All Other Committees		2,500.00	4,000.00
9. PROMOTION			
Pacific Southwest Lutheran			$ 3,000.00
10. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS			
Salaries and Allowances		$ 15,300.00	
Travel Expense		7,500.00	22,800.00
11. OFFICE EXPENSE			
Secretarial and Clerical Salaries		$ 4,800.00	
Social Security		96.00	
Rent		1,800.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies		800.00	
Telephone		1,000.00	
Postage and Express		500.00	
Insurance		160.00	
Comptroller — Salary Allowance		1,800.00	10,956.00
12. PENSION AND INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS			$ 3,866.52
	TOTAL		$270,452.52
Apportionment to churches based on 22,480 members at $12.50			$281,000.00

Motion prevailed that the Budget be approved.

The Report of the Executive Committee on Allocations was presented.

Motion prevailed that the 1956 allocation in the Special Needs Budget Program be adopted: $4.00 per communing member first year 24,000 members:

Home for the Aged	$74,000
Midland College	20,000
Lutheran Student Found	2,000
	$96,000

Motion prevailed that the amount of $75,000 as a goal for Midland College be rescinded.

Motion prevailed that Synod make provision in the 1956 Budget for funds to establish the Office of Christian Education Director, a full-time employee of Synod, under the direction of the Executive Committee.

Motion prevailed that the report of the special needs with special reference to Midland College be reconsidered.

Motion prevailed that the Midland College Trustees be requested to provide us with complete information about the needs of the College for presentation to the Conferences of Synod and available for distribution to Church Councils in order that more unanimous interest might be won for the Midland Appeal. Furthermore, that we defer action on the Midland Appeal and that the Executive Committee be requested to present to the 1956 Convention of Synod a suggested amount and a program for securing it along with a thorough presentation of all the projected capital needs of institutions supported by our Synod during the next three years.

Motion prevailed that Dr. Paul Dieckman, President of Midland College, be granted 10 minutes on the floor of Synod to present the needs of Midland College.

Motion prevailed that the appeal in 1956 be $96,000 at $4.00 per communing member divided as follows: $94,000 for the Home for the Aged and $2,000 for the Lutheran Student Foundation.

Motion prevailed that the motion be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

Motion prevailed that we reconsider the motion passed germane to the postponing of the Midland College Appeal for study.

Motion prevailed that a study be made by the Executive Committee of the Capital Needs of Institutions supported by our Synod during the next three years and report to the next meeting of Synod, and that Midland College Trustees be requested to provide us with complete information about the needs of the College for presentation to the Conferences of Synod and available for distribution to Church Councils in order that more unanimous interest might be won for Midland College Appeal.

Motion prevailed that the Executive Committee be instructed to bring the Budget for 1957 to the Conferences for study and to Synod for adoption in 1956.

The following items with reference to the Camping Program of Synod were referred to the Executive Committee for study:

1. That Camp Yolijwa be continued at Seven Oaks as Synod Camp in 1955.
2. That all camping programs beginning in 1956 shall be administered and supported by the respective conferences.
3. That Conference camps shall be financed in their capital fund needs within the respective conferences upon the approval of the Synod.
4. That Synod shall include an item in its Budget to assist each conference camp in its operating expense.

Motion prevailed to adopt the report as a whole.

REPORT OF THE ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE

CRUSADE FOR YOUTH FUNDS IN 1954

The committee as appointed by the Executive Committee of Synod prior to the last convention of Synod met on July 8 to allocate funds in hand. Having requests from the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation of Synod for $12,500 and from the Mt. Cross Camp Board for $2,500, the Committee considered these requests and made outright grants to these boards of the sum requested for the purpose of capital use in debt reduction.

Later, by correspondence, the committee made an additional grant of $3,000 to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation upon the discovery of an indebtedness to Synod incurred in an initial payment on the 26½ acre Oak Glen property.

No other funds have been allocated.

A recommendation is being studied concerning distribution of funds received in the future and it will be presented to Synod in convention.

The committee records its sorrow at the passing of Paul Wolpert who served as one of its members.

Motion prevailed to adopt the Allocation Committee Crusade for Youth Report.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE

CRUSADE FOR YOUTH FUNDS

Recommendations:

1. Youth Crusade funds should be used only for capital investment in the fields of Lutheran Leadership Training, employment of these funds to be the responsibility of the Executive Committee of Synod upon the recommendation of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation.

2. That the following grants be made now from funds on hand to the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for:

Mt. Cross	$ 2,500.00
Oak Glen	12,500.00

3. Additional funds now on hand and funds to be received from the Crusade for Youth should be set up as a Revolving Loan Fund for Lutheran Leadership Training, to be loaned for capital expenditure to any project in which Synod has interest involving Lutheran Leadership Training.

4. That arrangements be made by the Executive Committee of Synod to secure loans on the basis of pledges made by the congregations of Synod for the Crusade for Youth, whereby additional money can be made available as a resource of the Lutheran Leadership Training Corporation for use in the whole field of Lutheran Leadership Training.

5. That the financing be worked out on a basis similar to that employed by the Board of American Missions in making construction loans to congregations (bank loans at bank rate, Crusade funds at ½ of one per cent, repayments made according to a definite schedule).

Respectfully submitted,
David Robison, Chairman
George Flora, George Spindt

Motion prevailed that the Crusade for Youth be officially terminated February 1, 1955 and that congregations be encouraged to make their payments on the Crusade for Youth to the Camp program of their choice.

Motion prevailed that we adopt Sessions 5, 6, and 7 mimeographed copies of the Minutes.

Motion was made that the Minutes of this session be checked and approved by the Executive Committee.

Motion prevailed to amend the present By-Laws so that there will be a separate Committee on Social Missions. Strike "Social Action and Social Missions." The Executive Committee be empowered to appoint the necessary Committee.

Motion prevailed that the Treasurer of Synod make proper arrangements for the reception of funds for the Special Needs Causes beginning with 1955.

Respectfully submitted,
David Robison, Chairman
George Flora, George Spindt

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

January 27, 1955

The report of the Claims Committee was presented by Mr. Carl Bell and motion prevailed that the report be adopted. The Secretary announced that 105 pastors and 83 delegates attended the Convention. Commendation was given to the Claims Committee for the excellent work they have done. Total number registered delegates and visitors were 221.

The Committee checked the claims for travel and the total claims presented is 108 amounting to $5,059.34.

Respectfully submitted,
Carl A. Bell
Wayne Pfundstein
Gene Samuelson

For information:

18	came by train
69	came in 32 cars
20	came in cars with no delegate passengers
2	came by bus
34	came by air
25	delegates in this area with no travel

Motion prevailed that Special Committee No. 4 of By-Laws be amended to Evangelism. This Committee shall be charged with the responsibility of leading pastors and congregations to meet their responsibilities before God in the fields of Evangelism.

New Business:

Invitations for next year's Convention to be held at Christ Lutheran Church, San Diego; Faith Lutheran Church, Phoenix, Arizona, and First Lutheran Church, Glendale were read.

Motion prevailed that Faith Church, Phoenix, Arizona, be the site for the 1956 Convention.

The President of Synod formally installed the officers of Synod according to the order of the Church. The President of Synod then formally closed the Convention and we were led in prayer by the Convention Chaplain.

Respectfully submitted,
John G. Simmons, Secretary

APPORTIONMENT AND LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION GOAL FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1955

City	Church	Members Communing	Apportionment Month	Apportionment Year	L.W.A. Year
Ajo, Arizona,	Grace	36	$ 38.00	$ 456.00	$ 47.00
Alhambra,	Grace	227	237.00	2,844.00	295.00
Alhambra,	Our Saviour's	110	115.00	1,380.00	143.00
Altadena,	Altadena	221	230.00	2,760.00	287.00
Azusa,	Calvary	71	74.00	888.00	93.00
Baldwin Park,	Ascension	294	306.00	3,672.00	382.00
Berkeley,	St. Michael's	332	346.00	4,152.00	432.00
Berkeley,	Shepherd-of-the-Hills	77	80.00	960.00	100.00
Beverly Hills,	Beverly Hills	88	92.00	1,104.00	114.00
Burbank,	Luther Memorial	220	229.00	2,748.00	286.00
Central Valley,	St. James	41	43.00	516.00	53.00
Concord,	Good Shepherd	50	52.00	624.00	65.00
Culver City,	Grace	285	297.00	3,564.00	371.00
Downey,	Christ	119	124.00	1,488.00	155.00
El Cajon,	St. John	69	72.00	864.00	90.00
El Monte,	Redeemer	98	102.00	1,224.00	127.00
Fresno,	Faith	126	131.00	1,572.00	164.00
Fresno,	First	406	423.00	5,076.00	528.00
Fresno,	Luther Memorial	31	32.00	384.00	40.00
Fresno,	St. Paul's	150	156.00	1,872.00	195.00
Gardena,	St. John's	137	143.00	1,716.00	178.00
Glendale,	First	1023	1,066.00	12,792.00	1,330.00
Globe, Ariz.,	St. Paul's	81	84.00	1,008.00	105.00
Hollywood,	Hollywood	406	423.00	5,076.00	528.00
Honolulu,	Honolulu	142	148.00	1,776.00	185.00
Honolulu,	Pearl Harbor	54	56.00	672.00	70.00
Honolulu,	St. Paul's	65	68.00	816.00	85.00
Huntington Park,	St. Luke's	392	408.00	4,896.00	510.00
Inglewood,	Holy Trinity	553	576.00	6,912.00	719.00
La Canada,	Foothills	303	316.00	3,792.00	394.00
Lakewood,	Lakewood	335	349.00	4,188.00	436.00
Lakewood,	Mt. Olivet	39	41.00	492.00	51.00
Lanikai, T. H.,	St. John's	46	48.00	576.00	60.00
Las Vegas,	Reformation	87	91.00	1,092.00	113.00
Lihue, T. H.,	Lihue	75	78.00	936.00	98.00
Long Beach,	Faith	91	95.00	1,140.00	118.00
Long Beach,	Gloria Dei	40	42.00	504.00	52.00
Long Beach,	Trinity	697	726.00	8,712.00	906.00
Los Angeles,	Advent	301	314.00	3,768.00	391.00
Los Angeles,	Bethany	45	47.00	564.00	59.00
Los Angeles,	First English	750	781.00	9,372.00	975.00
Los Angeles,	Peace Latvian	46	48.00	576.00	60.00
Los Angeles,	St. Mark's	82	85.00	1,020.00	107.00
Los Angeles,	Transfiguration	152	158.00	1,896.00	198.00
Manhattan Beach,	Trinity	191	199.00	2,388.00	248.00
Monterey Park,	St. Paul's	239	249.00	2,988.00	311.00
Mt. View,	Immanuel	51	53.00	636.00	66.00
Norco,	Bethany	60	63.00	756.00	78.00
North Hollywood,	St. Matthews	527	549.00	6,588.00	685.00
Oakland,	First	204	213.00	2,556.00	265.00
Oakland,	St. John's	155	162.00	1,944.00	202.00
Orange,	Our Saviour's	55	57.00	684.00	72.00
Orinda,	Shepherd of Valley	102	106.00	1,272.00	133.00
Pasadena,	Trinity	412	429.00	5,148.00	536.00
Phoenix,	Faith	694	723.00	8,676.00	902.00
Phoenix,	Grace	957	997.00	11,964.00	1,244.00
Phoenix,	Mount of Olives	163	170.00	2,040.00	212.00
Pomona,	Trinity	185	193.00	2,316.00	241.00
Redding,	United	48	50.00	600.00	62.00
Redlands,	First	150	156.00	1,872.00	195.00

City Church	Members Communing	Apportionment Month	Apportionment Year	L.W.A. Year
Redwood City, Messiah	160	167.00	2,004.00	208.00
Reno, Nevada, Good Shepherd	141	147.00	1,764.00	183.00
Richmond, Grace	702	731.00	8,772.00	913.00
Richmond, St. James	130	135.00	1,620.00	169.00
Riverside, Trinity	390	406.00	4,872.00	507.00
Sacramento, First	239	249.00	2,988.00	311.00
Sacramento, Our Redeemer	52	54.00	648.00	68.00
Sacramento, St. John's	1058	1,102.00	13,224.00	1,375.00
Sacramento, St. Paul's	141	147.00	1,764.00	183.00
San Bernardino, First	347	362.00	4,344.00	451.00
San Diego, Christ	560	583.00	6,996.00	728.00
San Diego, First	330	344.00	4,128.00	429.00
San Diego, St. Peter's	185	193.00	2,316.00	241.00
San Fernando, St. Mark's	103	107.00	1,284.00	134.00
San Francisco, First United	169	176.00	2,112.00	220.00
San Francisco, St. Mark's	336	350.00	4,200.00	437.00
San Francisco, St. Matthew's	141	147.00	1,764.00	183.00
San Francisco, Temple	85	89.00	1,068.00	111.00
Sanger, St. Paul's	58	60.00	720.00	75.00
San Jose, Bethany	200	208.00	2,496.00	260.00
San Jose, Grace	251	262.00	3,144.00	326.00
San Leandro, Epiphany	316	329.00	3,948.00	411.00
San Mateo, St. Andrew's	270	281.00	3,372.00	351.00
Santa Ana, United	253	264.00	3,168.00	329.00
Santa Barbara, Grace	163	170.00	2,040.00	212.00
Santa Cruz, St. Stephen's	71	74.00	888.00	93.00
Santa Monica, St. Paul's	356	371.00	4,452.00	463.00
Tucson, Ariz., Our Saviour's	502	523.00	6,276.00	653.00
Vallejo, St. Paul's	262	273.00	3,276.00	341.00
Van Nuys, St. Andrew's	504	525.00	6,300.00	655.00
West Covina, Our Savior	63	66.00	792.00	82.00
Westwood, Village	209	218.00	2,616.00	272.00
Whittier, Salem	401	418.00	5,016.00	521.00
Yuma, Ariz., Faith	71	74.00	888.00	92.00
Yreka, Mt. Zion	74	77.00	924.00	96.00
	22,479	$23,421.00	$281,052.00	$29,230.00

Apportionment $12.50 per member
L. W. A. 1.30 per member

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the Minutes of the 64th Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Pacific Southwest held in St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Berkeley, California, January 24-27, 1955.

John G. Simmons, Secretary

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									14			15			16			
*1	Ajo	Grace	1954	Ajo	Pima	4	B. A. Bjarnason	E	112	112	..	67	67	..	36	36	..	1*
2	Globe	St. Paul's	1950	Cherry and First Ave.	Gila	6	Jack W. Glidewell	E	163	50	..	91	25	..	81	20	..	2
3	Phoenix	Faith	1945	801 East Camelback Road	Maricopa	1	Frank H. Clutz	E	1104	130	..	725	91	..	694	83	..	3
4	Phoenix	Grace	1914	1124 No. Third St.	Maricopa	1	Lyle C. Burns	E	1674	..	13	1168	..	26	957	..	36	4
5	Phoenix	Mt. of Olives	1952	3546 E. Thomas Road	Maricopa	1	Franklin H. Schott	E	399	116	..	230	60	..	163	43	..	5
6	Tucson	Our Saviour's	1945	1909 E. Helen St.	Pima	1	George A. Spindt	E	914	93	..	624	67	..	502	51	..	6
7	Yuma	Faith	1953	806 Solana Drive	Yuma	3	Stanley E. Olson	E	149	31	..	85	17	..	71	26	..	7
	1954 Totals	Congregations 7	....			....	Pastors 6	....	4515	532	13	2990	327	26	2504	259	36	1954
	1953 Totals	Congregations 6	....			....	Pastors 6	....	3996	511	..	2689	488	..	2280	267	..	1953
	Increase	1	....			....		....	519	21	13	301	.....	26	224	.....	36	Inc.
	Decrease		....			....		....	.....	.....	.....	.....	161	.....	.....	8	.....	Dec.

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				Accessions			Losses					Gain or Loss			Accessions					Losses					PARISH												HIGHER				
																									Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church							
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	Otherwise 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	Otherwise 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismis'l 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In Sun. School 19	In Hme. Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Staff Membrs 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Childr'n Enrolled 26	Number of Catechumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Institutions 31	
*1	112	67	36	15	30	45	....	....	....	....	....	45	....	4	30	27	8	69	2	....	....	2	1	9	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	42	....	....	....	....	1*
2	163	91	81	18	12	30	....	....	....	5	5	25	....	6	11	9	5	31	....	....	6	6	1	14	94	....	14	....	....	....	....	....	24	....	....	....	....	2
3	1104	725	694	36	42	78	14	....	13	12	39	39	....	10	59	56	26	151	6	47	7	60	1	54	451	12	44	....	....	....	....	....	86	1	....	....	20	3
4	1674	1168	957	75	35	110	20	....	22	55	97	13	....	13	46	65	29	153	3	84	92	179	1	75	475	....	105	....	....	....	....	....	104	1	....	1	43	4
5	399	230	163	28	48	76	8	....	3	9	20	56	....	1	15	54	....	70	....	4	6	10	1	40	240	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	21	....	....	....	....	5
6	914	624	502	26	22	48	14	....	8	....	22	26	....	3	34	69	9	115	....	23	25	48	1	56	347	10	68	4	3	55	....	....	93	....	....	....	19	6
7	149	85	71	5	9	14	....	....	....	....	....	14	....	2	6	7	2	17	....	....	....	....	1	15	105	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	17	....	....	....	....	7
1954	4515	2990	2504	203	198	401	56	....	46	81	183	218	....	39	201	287	79	606	11	158	136	305	7	263	1772	22	256	4	3	55	....	....	387	2	....	1	82	1954
1953	3996	2689	2280	135	217	352	50	5	53	221	329	146	126	27	128	301	252	708	11	148	61	220	6	201	1462	20	221	....	....	....	....	....	259	3	....	....	75	1953
Inc.	519	301	224	68	....	49	6	....	....	....	....	72	....	12	73	....	....	....	....	10	75	85	1	62	310	2	35	4	3	55	....	....	128	....	....	1	7	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	5	7	140	146	....	126	....	....	14	173	102	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	Dec.

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	Men's		Women's		Mixed		Y. People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE										
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTION'D				
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
*1	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	...	...	2,000	...	...	...	2,000	1,928	1,402	86	1,488	...	...	...	70	50	120	...	50	170	1,658	1*
2	1	10	1	21	...	...	1	24	35,000	...	...	...	3,500	38,500	17,300	3,985	2,829	6,814	49	7	7	100	80	243	720	864	1,107	7,921	2
3	1	50	2	106	2	133	3	85	225,000	11,000	114,000	...	...	350,000	91,488	19,231	24,874	44,105	2,468	971	870	407	957	5,673	7,332	7,332	13,005	57,110	3
4	1	40	1	150	2	140	2	65	180,000	20,000	60,000	5,126	28,500	293,626	61,849	35,060	19,694	54,754	346	...	...	552	2,061	2,959	11,916	11,916	14,875	69,629	4
5	...	...	1	12	1	35	2	30	...	16,500	...	...	17,000	33,500	86,000	5,157	5,271	10,428	25	...	...	10	156	191	1,440	1,440	1,631	12,059	5
6	1	35	3	150	1	45	4	95	75,536	18,500	31,500	...	6,566	132,102	52,000	12,539	11,527	24,066	281	64	...	278	1,330	1,953	5,412	5,412	7,365	31,431	6
7	...	...	1	24	...	...	...	...	...	16,000	...	...	5,600	21,600	10,249	4,236	638	4,874	...	125	...	124	235	484	540	621	1,105	5,979	7
1954	4	135	10	483	6	353	12	299	515,536	84,000	205,500	5,126	61,166	871,328	320,814	81,610	64,919	146,529	3169	1167	877	1541	4,869	11,623	27,360	27,635	39,258	185,787	1954
1953	3	187	8	391	7	232	11	297	415,536	70,500	91,500	5,000	41,066	623,602	162,122	64,459	69,584	134,043	4539	658	585	881	5,563	12,226	21,648	22,258	34,484	168,527	1953
Inc.	1	...	2	92	...	121	1	2	100,000	13,500	114,000	126	20,100	247,726	158,692	17,151	...	12,486	...	509	292	660	...	...	5,712	5,377	4,774	17,260	Inc.
Dec.	...	52	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4,665	...	1370	...	...	...	694	603	...	...	...	...	Dec.

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8	Honolulu	Honolulu	1900	Punahou St. at Dominis	Honolulu	1	Glen O. Balsley	E	367	..	15	196	..	26	142	31	..	8
9	Honolulu	Pearl Harbor	1950	Buck St. and Tucker Ave.	Honolulu	1	James M. Fincher	E	96	..	43	57	..	4	57	38	..	9
10	Honolulu	St. Paul's	1950	3660 Pahoa Ave.	Honolulu	1	Ernest W. Vetter	E	110	..	..	75	..	..	65	..	..	10
*11	Kailua	St. John's	1954	110 Kuuala St., Kailua, T.H.	Honolulu	4	Franklin A. Swanson	E	97	97	..	65	65	..	46	46	..	11*
12	Lihue	Lihue	1882	P.O. Box 227	Kauai	4	Thomas Allport	E	224	24	..	130	10	..	75	18	..	12
	1954 Totals	Congregations 5					Pastors 5		894	121	58	523	75	30	385	133	..	1954
	1953 Totals	Congregations 4					Pastors 4		831	143	1	478	52	..	252	15	42	1953
	Increase	1					1		63		57	45	23	30	133	118		Inc.
	Decrease									22							42	Dec.

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																							Sunday Schools					Weekday Schools			Children of Church							
	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	By Baptism 1	Otherwise 2	Total A	Trans. by Confirm. 3	By Death 4	By Certificate 5	Otherwise 6	Total B	Net Gain	Net Loss	By Baptism 7	By Confirm 8	By Certificate 9	By Restoration 10	Total C	By Death 11	By Certificate 12	By Dismiss'l 13	Total D	Number 17	Staff Membrs 18	In. Sun. School 19	In Hme Dept. 20	Nursery Roll 21	Number 22	Staff Membrs 23	Pupils 24	Leaders 25	Childr'n Enroll'd 26	Number of Catachumens 27	In Lutheran Seminaries 28	In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	In Other Luth. Insts. 30	In Non-Luth. Institutions 31	
8	367	196	142	13	11	24	....	....	13	....	13	11	....	5	13	16	21	55	3	19	59	81	1	9	71	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	38	....	....	2	4	8
9	96	57	57	35	44	79	....	....	....	118	118	....	39	....	36	30	7	72	1	8	67	76	1	23	250	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	35	....	....	....	....	9
10	110	75	65																				1	8	57	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10
*11	97	65	46	3	29	32	....	....	....	....	....	32	....	3	13	33	16	65	....	....	....	....	1	3	49	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	27	....	....	....	....	11*
12	224	130	75	10	7	17	....	1	....	2	3	14	....	3	10	1	....	14	1	1	2	4	2	25	155	5	23	....	....	....	2	29	24	....	....	21	2	12
1954	894	523	385	61	91	152	....	1	13	120	134	57	39	11	71	80	44	206	5	28	128	161	6	68	582	5	32	....	....	....	2	20	124	....	....	23	6	1954
1953	831	478	252	67	55	122	3	1	5	23	32	91	1	10	39	29	26	104	2	24	26	52	5	41	492	2	44	1	9	92	2	52	66	....	....	21	5	1953
Inc.	63	45	133	....	36	30	....	....	8	97	102	....	38	1	32	51	18	102	3	4	102	109	1	27	90	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	58	....	....	2	1	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	6	....	....	3	....	....	....	....	34	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	1	9	92	....	23	....	....	....	....	....	Dec.

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	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
8	.....		1	40	1	25	1	14	191,529	19,500	.....	.....	8,377	219,406	9,750	13,063	9,483	22,546	391	24	26	181	743	1,365	1,332	1,600	2,965	25,511	8
9	.....		1	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,000	.....	.....	.....	19,000	18,700	4,251	639	4,890	151	75	.....	17	32	275	228	360	635	5,525	9
10	.....		1	25	1	10	.....	.....	70,321	26,000	3,500	.....	2,000	101,821	52,699	.....	.....	.....	115	.....	.....	.....	184	299	780	780	1,079	1,079	10
*11	.....		1	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,000	.....	.....	.....	19,000	19,000	1,235	.....	1,235	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	213	213	1,448	11*
12	.....		1	25	1	27	2	52	50,000	15,000	25,000	.....	5,000	95,000	1,500	6,500	1,400	7,900	.....	.....	.....	.....	475	475	684	420	895	8,795	12
1954	.....		5	157	3	62	3	66	311,850	98,500	28,500	.....	15,377	45 ,227	101,649	25,049	11,522	36,571	657	99	26	198	1,434	2,414	3,024	3,373	5,787	42,358	1954
1953	.....		4	81	2	26	8	177	311,850	60,967	28,500	.....	18,813	420,130	63,699	23,610	3,916	27,526	387	5	10	.....	600	1,002	3,000	3,050	4,052	31,578	1953
Inc.	.....		1	76	1	36	.....	.....	.....	37,533		.....	.....	34,097	37,950	1,439	7,606	9,045	270	94	16	198	834	1,412	24	323	1,735	10,780	Inc.
Dec.	.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	5	111	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,436	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dec.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE NORTHERN CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1954, TABLE 3—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION	ADDRESS: COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1954	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members 14	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: CONFIRMED: Number of Members 15	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	MEMBERSHIP: COMMUNING: Number of Members 16	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
13	Berkeley	St. Michael's	1913	2516 Durant Avenue	Alameda	1	Ross F. Hidy	EG	526	53	..	440	47	..	332	29	..	13
*14	Berkeley	Shepherd-of-Hills	1952	2750 Marin Avenue	Contra Costa	1	Toivo Harjunpaa	E	170	47	..	107	32	..	77	29	..	14
15	Central Valley	St. James	1949	1926 Shasta Dam Blvd	Shasta	4	Kenneth E. Linton	E	71	..	2	49	1	..	41	13	..	15
16	Concord	Good Shepherd	1953	3978 Clayton Road	Contra Costa	2	Vacant	E	113	1	..	61	..	..	50	..	..	16
17	Fresno	Faith	1951	725 Lansing Way	Fresno	2	Goodwin T. Olson	E	320	55	..	168	37	..	126	33	..	17
18	Fresno	First	1917	630 Ferger Ave.	Fresno	2	Vacant	E	909	120	..	630	104	..	406	26	..	18
*19	Fresno	Luther Memorial	1954	1621 So. Cedar	Fresno	2	Hugh Dowler	E	73	73	..	45	45	..	31	31	..	19*
20	Fresno	St. Paul's	1913	2112 Lotus Ave.	Fresno	2	August S. Claus	EG	456	1	..	401	1	..	150	..	..	20
*21	Mountain View	Immanuel	1954	32949 Don Kirk St.	Santa Clara	3	Peter C. Schroder, Jr.	E	164	164	..	86	86	..	51	51	..	21*
22	Oakland	First	1890	1283 Holman Road	Alameda	1	Donald E. Wagner	E	377	..	19	236	..	22	204	..	8	22
23	Oakland	St. John's	1921	1820 55th Ave.	Alameda	1	Philip W. Bergstresser	E	340	4	..	178	..	13	155	14	..	23
24	Orinda	Shepherd of Val'y	1953	294 Orchard Road	Contra Costa	4	Edward R. Andersen	E	191	55	..	102	24	..	102	41	..	24
25	Redding	United	1951	926 Gold Street	Shasta	3	Kenneth E. Linton	E	149	35	..	80	12	..	48	12	..	25
26	Redwood City	Messiah	1951	149 Clinton St.	San Mateo	2	Kenneth C. Senft	E	267	35	..	169	24	..	160	52	..	26
27	Reno, Nevada	Good Shepherd	1947	501 California	Washoe	2	Vernon Kotter	E	378	115	..	212	55	..	141	37	..	27
28	Richmond	Grace	1924	2369 Barrett Avenue	Contra Costa	2	Milus W. Bonker	E	1414	96	..	814	34	..	702	62	..	28
	Richmond	Peace		Disbanded Feb. 28, 1954														
29	Richmond	St. James	1946	1963 Carlson Blvd.	Contra Costa	1	Harry Durkee,	E	292	89	..	156	58	..	130	49	..	29
30	Sacramento	First English	1889	2910 39th Ave	Sacramento	1	W. Morgan Edwards	E	487	..	17	338	..	26	239	..	2	30
31	Sacramento	Our Redeemer	1953	Mission & Robertson Aves.	Sacramento	2	George E. Steffens	E	103	6	..	60	4	..	52	8	..	31
32	Sacramento	St. John's	1867	1701 "L" St.	Sacramento	1	Robert S. Romeis	E	1915	181	..	1186	75	..	1058	88	..	32
33	Sacramento	St. Paul's	1945	2958 59th St.	Sacramento	1	Charles A. Miley	E	355	33	..	184	20	..	141	4	..	33
34	San Francisco	First United	1886	6555 Geary at 30th Ave	San Francisco	1	Kenneth E. Hartzheim	E	307	73	..	208	49	..	160	54	..	34
35	San Francisco	St. Mark's	1849	1135 O'Farrell St.	San Francisco	1	J. George Dorn	E	1058	..	77	698	..	63	336	..	..	35
36	San Francisco	St. Matthew's	1895	3281 16th St.	San Francisco	1	Herman Lucas	EG	366	13	..	276	4	..	141	5	..	36
37	San Francisco	Temple	1917	15 Latona St.	San Francisco	1	Douglas J. Toepel	E	207	..	12	127	..	17	85	..	8	37
38	Sanger	St. Paul's	1907	1128 "N" St.	Fresno	4	Fred G. Ranlett	EG	126	..	50	91	..	41	58	..	14	38
39	San Jose	Bethany	1951	1224 Sante Clara-Los Gatos Roads	Santa Clara	1	George R. Fl ra	E	374	72	..	223	45	..	200	68	..	39
40	San Jose	Grace	1892	59 East Julian St.	Santa Clara	1	Clarence F. Crouser	E	746	99	..	455	62	..	251	26	..	40
41	San Leandro	Epiphany	1949	16248 Carolyn St.	Alameda	2	Albert S. Hidy, Jr.	E	674	53	..	414	53	..	316	36	..	41
42	San Mateo	St. Andrew's	1944	El Camino Real at 15th Ave.	San Mateo	2	J. Henry Meyer	E	524	9	..	333	..	..	270	13	..	42
43	Santa Cruz	St. Stephen's	1953	429 Pennsylvania Ave.	Santa Cruz	3	Charles Endter	E	125	32	..	81	17	..	71	12	..	43
44	Vallejo	St. Paul's	1943	1300 Tuolumne St.	Solano	2	Robert C. Wheatley	E	756	96	..	381	54	..	262	4	..	44
45	Yreka	Mt. Zion	1947	417 S. Oregon St.	Siskiyou	4	R. C. Arthur	E	162	..	49	96	..	18	74	7	..	45
	1954 Totals	Congregations 33	....	....	....	....	Pastors 48	....	14495	1610	271	9085	953	252	6629	804	71	1954
	1953 Totals	Congregations 32	....	....	....	....	Pastors 45	....	13208	1608	335	8394	915	253	5896	774	211	1953
	Increase	1	....	....	....	....	3	....	1287	2	....	691	38	....	733	30	....	Inc.
	Decrease		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	64	....	....	1	....	....	140	Dec.

* New Congregation (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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13	526	440	332	22	23	45	6	...	15	18	39	6	..	8	27	50	10	95	2	26	20	48	1	28	142	4	52	...	...	...	2	18	131	1	...	...	35	13
14	170	107	77	8	13	21	4	...	2	..	6	15	..	2	16	9	8	35	..	3	..	3	1	18	130	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	30	1	...	...	4	14
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20	456	401	150	17	..	17	7	...	5	5	17	..	..	2	9	7	8	26	16	8	1	25	1	11	76	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	4	20
*21	164	86	51	25	60	85	..	...	6	1	7	78	..	3	12	77	..	92	..	4	2	6	1	15	150	..	5	...	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	..	21*
22	377	236	204	18	4	22	5	...	5	9	19	3	..	2	7	3	2	14	5	16	15	36	1	10	62	..	24	...	...	...	...	...	19	...	...	...	4	22
23	340	178	155	20	6	26	1	...	1	7	9	17	..	5	5	9	8	27	..	2	38	40	1	10	91	..	22	...	...	...	...	...	10	1	...	...	1	23
24	191	102	102	21	14	35	4	...	..	..	4	31	..	4	6	24	..	34	..	..	10	10	1	14	126	121	..	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	..	24
25	149	80	48	20	13	33	..	...	2	8	10	23	..	8	..	14	..	22	..	2	8	10	1	13	64	..	15	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	3	25
26	267	169	160	16	11	27	9	...	3	4	16	11	..	3	14	36	6	59	1	9	25	35	1	22	162	..	29	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	8	26
27	378	212	141	38	33	71	3	...	8	..	11	60	..	2	27	31	6	66	..	11	..	11	1	20	165	..	22	...	...	...	...	...	49	...	...	...	3	27
28	1414	814	702	62	35	97	18	...	10	7	35	62	..	19	63	24	21	127	5	21	67	93	2	46	450	..	..	1	1	14	...	...	95	...	...	...	8	28
29	292	156	130	35	22	57	5	...	12	9	26	31	..	18	12	54	4	88	..	16	14	30	2	17	200	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	55	...	...	...	3	29
30	487	338	239	21	..	21	11	...	1	..	12	9	..	5	11	1	7	24	8	2	40	50	1	20	165	..	27	1	1	10	...	...	16	...	...	...	1	30
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32	1915	1186	1058	94	39	133	9	...	12	6	27	106	..	27	52	56	14	149	4	25	45	74	1	34	322	..	170	...	...	...	...	...	134	3	...	2	25	32
33	355	184	141	15	7	22	4	...	5	..	9	13	..	4	9	18	6	37	1	6	10	17	1	23	342	..	43	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	7	33
34	307	208	169	27	16	43	6	...	3	10	19	24	..	6	34	32	5	72	1	10	17	28	1	14	85	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	6	34
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36	366	276	141	10	4	14	..	...	2	3	5	9	..	2	9	..	..	11	3	..	4	7	1	6	45	..	42	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	7	36
37	207	127	85	15	10	25	10	...	3	7	20	5	..	1	11	6	1	19	1	11	24	36	1	16	142	..	17	...	...	...	1	15	37	...	...	...	7	37
38	126	91	58	6	5	11	2	...	..	18	20	..	9	..	17	4	8	29	16	4	50	70	1	7	35	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	2	38
39	374	223	200	25	39	64	17	...	20	..	37	27	..	8	38	28	..	74	..	22	7	29	1	18	229	..	36	...	...	...	...	...	58	...	...	1	3	39
40	746	455	251	25	19	44	6	...	1	..	7	37	..	4	18	37	13	72	3	7	..	10	1	16	196	50	63	...	...	...	...	...	39	1	...	...	12	40
41	674	414	316	35	66	101	5	...	33	63	101	..	..	5	55	28	9	97	4	28	12	44	1	25	285	4	136	...	...	...	...	...	146	...	...	...	5	41
42	524	333	270	19	24	43	7	1	9	17	34	9	..	2	20	42	18	82	..	24	58	82	1	16	176	..	28	...	...	...	...	...	38	...	...	1	14	42
43	125	81	71	10	7	17	..	...	2	..	2	15	..	1	10	17	..	28	1	7	3	11	1	15	63	..	12	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	1	43
44	756	381	262	33	27	60	8	...	10	..	18	42	..	2	45	32	5	84	1	25	4	30	1	44	318	..	44	...	...	...	...	...	77	...	...	...	9	44
45	162	96	74	8	4	12	9	...	..	34	43	..	31	..	10	4	..	14	..	3	29	32	2	14	75	..	30	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	6	45
1954	14495	9085	6629	733	564	1297	181	1	252	267	691	698	102	166	634	792	232	1824	79	418	636	1133	37	583	5084	189	977	2	2	24	9	60	2339	7	1	6	200	1954
1953	13208	8394	5896	633	522	1155	105	4	157	278	544	706	95	149	463	685	230	1527	62	267	536	865	34	536	4514	164	837	2	1	40	...	...	1192	11	...	6	164	1953
Inc.	1287	691	733	100	42	142	76	...	95	...	147	...	7	17	171	107	2	297	17	151	100	268	3	47	570	25	140	...	1	...	9	60	1147	...	1	...	36	Inc.
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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS: Men's Number	Men's Members	Womn's Number	Womn's Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. Peple Number	Y. Peple Members	FINANCIAL: VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY: Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Congregational Expenses: Current	Unusual	Total	CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE: UNAPPORTIONED: Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	APPORTIONED: Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	Index Number
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58		
13	1	35	1	65	3	88	1	14	400,000	20,000	200,000	...	57,000	677,000	106,826	17,070	23,819	40,889	867	140	234	36	1018	2620	3636	3654	6274	47,163	13
14	...	..	1	24	...	..	2	25	...	20,000	...	...	...	20,000	17,000	3,152	3,563	6,715	210	...	17	...	96	323	576	634	957	7,672	14
15	1	10	1	11	...	..	1	17	17,000	...	...	...	...	17,000	13,490	1,856	2,264	4,120	58	16	29	5	36	144	336	297	441	4,561	15
16	1	14	1	32	...	..	..	..	12,000	...	...	...	10,000	22,000	17,629	1,000	721	1,721	...	...	...	...	13	13	600	190	203	1,924	16
17	...	..	1	15	...	..	1	17	...	12,000	...	...	13,000	25,000	18,654	3,708	3,400	7,108	29	10	15	63	105	222	1116	930	1152	8,260	17
18	1	40	3	74	1	36	2	51	22,500	13,000	35,500	...	4,466	75,466	5,500	16,143	11,964	28,107	200	106	1035	667	865	2873	4560	4560	7433	35,540	18
*19	...	..	1	12	...	..	1	11	...	5,000	...	...	12,000	17,000	15,000	4,080	1,084	5,164	44	...	...	...	...	44	...	...	44	5,208	19*
20	1	20	3	62	...	..	1	11	10,000	5,000	5,000	...	...	20,000	...	5,752	1,700	7,452	...	...	...	...	163	163	1800	864	1027	8,479	20
*21	...	..	1	25	...	..	1	15	20,000	...	...	...	15,000	35,000	28,000	2,011	1,241	3,252	...	...	...	175	42	217	...	272	489	3,741	21*
22	1	16	2	75	...	..	1	12	...	15,000	...	...	78,000	93,000	18,530	9,776	28,137	37,913	626	95	50	270	781	1822	2544	2544	4366	42,279	22
23	...	..	3	61	1	12	1	12	20,000	13,000	4,500	...	3,600	41,100	7,200	5.992	1,924	7,916	540	132	60	227	50	1009	1692	1215	2227	10,143	23
24	...	..	2	41	1	32	1	14	...	23,000	...	...	7,000	30,000	30,000	7,991	81	8,072	...	...	...	...	301	301	732	807	1108	9,180	24
25	1	10	1	21	...	..	..	..	...	14,500	...	...	7,500	22,000	17,000	2,434	1,855	4,289	62	23	272	12	43	412	432	326	738	5,027	25
26	1	36	1	34	1	22	3	42	...	11,500	...	...	25,000	36,500	27,100	6,714	6,888	13,602	148	85	...	292	250	775	1296	1296	2071	15,673	26
27	1	18	1	38	...	..	2	32	95,000	14,500	...	...	1,100	110,600	56,763	12,127	...	12,127	...	93	...	5	185	283	1248	1248	1531	13,658	27
28	1	25	1	75	...	..	3	75	200,000	19,000	...	...	...	219,000	83,776	28,583	7,524	36,107	827	200	175	173	1937	3312	7680	7680	10992	47,099	28
29	1	25	1	35	1	40	1	30	40,000	...	...	...	...	40,000	26,000	6,787	222	7,009	79	25	35	100	156	395	1440	1420	1835	8,824	29
30	1	28	1	45	1	32	1	30	40,000	12,000	6,000	...	1,289	59,289	3,442	12,876	109	12,985	668	317	175	260	402	1822	2892	2892	4714	17,699	30
31	1	8	1	14	...	..	1	17	2,240	18,000	...	...	614	20,854	18,044	3,244	336	3,580	...	...	...	83	18	101	528	257	358	3,938	31
32	1	45	1	140	2	85	3	78	219,000	15,000	...	500	71,865	306,365	30,000	31,145	40,966	72,111	253	1260	1613	1700	4366	9192	11640	11660	20852	92,963	32
33	1	27	1	25	1	44	2	39	41,000	11,500	...	...	3,918	56,418	28,679	8,366	3,174	11,540	...	65	85	245	463	858	1644	1507	2365	13,905	33
34	1	35	1	45	...	..	1	37	96,000	11,500	9,000	...	...	116,500	25,500	8,622	4,364	12,986	482	156	160	288	239	1325	1380	1430	2755	15,741	34
35	...	..	2	130	2	65	3	70	350,000	...	...	100,000	25,000	475,000	...	19,748	2,155	21,903	467	156	...	262	4524	5409	4032	3734	9143	31,046	35
36	...	..	2	54	...	..	1	17	46,000	...	...	...	...	46,000	...	8,447	...	8.447	...	20	...	...	178	198	1632	1632	1830	10,277	36
37	1	15	3	41	...	..	1	26	18,500	12,500	...	...	4,500	35,500	...	6,664	...	6,664	30	92	20	5	249	396	1116	1180	1576	8,240	37
38	...	..	2	24	...	..	..	..	6,000	...	3,500	...	500	10,000	...	4,554	29	4,583	10	83	...	15	26	134	864	151	285	4,868	38
39	1	12	1	60	1	24	2	30	34,500	12,500	...	...	...	47,000	29,363	5,873	5,326	11,199	50	4	7	41	532	634	1584	1584	2218	13,417	39
40	1	43	4	203	2	66	3	45	35,000	10,000	...	...	...	45,000	...	11,222	1,784	13,006	300	12	...	...	402	714	2700	2636	3350	16,356	40
41	1	65	1	78	1	102	1	60	40,000	12,000	...	...	16,000	68,000	39,948	13,558	6,878	20,436	40	100	100	...	375	615	3360	2485	3100	23,536	41
42	...	..	1	55	1	26	1	18	55,000	9,500	...	...	800	65,300	39,400	12,771	1,992	14,763	107	312	25	263	620	1327	3084	3084	4411	19,174	42
43	...	..	1	30	...	..	1	7	16,500	10,700	...	...	...	27,200	24,900	3,881	1,500	5,381	50	225	7	...	139	421	708	708	1129	6,510	43
44	1	56	2	116	...	..	1	38	75,315	18,000	15,000	...	792	109,107	35,000	10,729	2,003	12,732	241	333	179	326	788	1867	3096	3175	5012	17,774	44
45	...	..	2	20	1	18	1	35	15,000	...	...	...	...	15,000	7,000	3,233	785	4,018	131	99	9	36	57	332	894	752	1084	5,102	45
1954	21	583	51	1780	20	692	45	925	1,926,555	338,700	278,500	100,500	358,944	3,003,199	769,744	300,109	167,788	467,897	6519	4159	4302	5874	19,419	40,273	70,752	66,807	107,080	574,977	1954
1953	19	493	55	1636	18	618	42	724	1,828,980	274,500	251,000	75,500	197,184	2,627,164	650,064	264,098	77,223	341,321	21283	3289	3007	4930	15,091	47,600	57,024	56,813	104,413	445,734	1953
Inc.	2	90	..	144	2	74	3	201	97,575	64,200	27,500	25,000	161,760	376,035	119,680	36,011	90,565	126,576	...	870	1295	628	4328	...	13,728	9,994	2,667	129,243	Inc.
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46	Alhambra	Grace	1924	433 No. Atlantic Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Eldon R. Miller	E	316	..	45	266	..	10	227	3	..	46
47	Alhambra	Our Savior's	1949	2021 Carlos Street	Los Angeles	2	Walter M. Stuhr	E	233	55	..	131	24	..	110	20	..	47
48	Altadena	Altadena	1944	185 West Foothill Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Titus R. Scholl	E	477	25	..	255	9	..	221	2	..	48
49	Azusa	Calvary	1951	540 N. Azusa Avenue	Los Angeles	3	Vacant	E	138	..	32	82	..	22	71	..	16	49
50	Baldwin Park	Ascension	1951	3921 Baldwin Park Blvd.	Los Angeles	3	Vacant	E	584	42	..	342	33	..	294	88	..	50
51	Beverly Hills	Beverly Hills	1930	100 N. Doheny Drive L.A.	Los Angeles	1	George K. Attwood	E	310	22	..	230	3	..	88	..	18	51
52	Burbank	Luther Memorial	1946	2401 N. Brighton Street	Los Angeles	2	L. A. Failing	E	535	30	..	285	7	..	220	20	..	52
53	Culver City	Grace	1945	4427 Overland Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Wm. Herbert Blough	E	485	92	..	343	71	..	285	55	..	53
54	Downey	Christ	1953	7420 Dinsdale St.	Los Angeles	2	Neale O. Jenson	E	226	66	..	144	39	..	119	34	..	54
*55	El Cajon	St. John's	1954	905 W. Second St.	San Diego	3	James P. Bishop	E	112	112	..	69	69	..	69	69	..	55*
56	El Monte	Redeemer	1947	11621 E. Bryant Road	Los Angeles	2	John B. Nield	E	251	29	..	136	14	..	98	5	..	56
57	Gardena	St. John's	1924	1204 W. 163rd Street	Los Angeles	3	Harold J. Lorimer	E	404	..	46	228	..	23	137	23	..	57
58	Glendale	First	1912	1300 E. Colorado Blvd.	Los Angeles	1	Karl E. Knoseley	E	1591	..	9	1221	16	..	1023	3	..	58
59	Hollywood	Hollywood	1921	1733 No. New HampshireAve.	Los Angeles	1	John R. Steinhaus	E	689	7	..	565	5	..	406	36	..	59
60	Huntington Park	St. Luke's	1921	2721 E. Florence Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Charles P. Smith	E	796	9	..	527	..	12	392	8	..	60
61	Inglewood	Holy Trinity	1941	9300 S. Crenshaw Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	Vacant	E	1050	103	..	589	13	..	553	13	..	61
62	La Canada	Foothills	1948	1700 Foothill Blvd	Los Angeles	3	John P. Stump	E	512	102	..	318	53	.	303	53	..	62
63	Lakewood	Lakewood	1947	5633 E. Wardlow Road	Los Angeles	1	Louis F. Mertz	E	720	99	..	395	55	..	335	33	..	63
*64	Lakewood	Mt. Olivet	1954	5816 Bonfair Ave.	Los Angeles	2	James A. Youngquist	E	90	90	..	51	51	..	39	39	..	64*
65	Las Vegas, Nev.	Reformation	1948	1304 S. Bruce St.	Clark	2	William C. Arbaugh	E	162	56	..	100	31	..	87	30	..	65
66	Long Beach	Faith	1945	3040 Santa Fe Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Lloyd F. Sturtevant	E	177	..	41	94	2	..	91	..	..	66
67	Long Beach	Gloria Dei	1952	5842 E. Second Street	Los Angeles	1	Theodore Foreid	E	105	20	..	67	17	..	40	10	..	67
68	Long Beach	Trinity	1907	759 Linden Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Orval A. Awerkamp	E	1446	164	..	1028	121	..	697	74	..	68
69	Los Angeles	Advent	1886	1329 S. Alvarado St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Scherer	E	399	..	7	318	..	6	301	74	..	69
70	Los Angeles	Bethany	1926	7011 S. San Pedro St.	Los Angeles	1	Henry Irving Kohler	E	194	..	66	120	..	61	45	..	1	70
71	Los Angeles	First English	1887	3119 West Sixth St.	Los Angeles	1	Albert B. Schwertz	E	1472	63	..	1174	52	..	750	..	..	71
72	Los Angeles	Peace	1952	3901 W. Adams St.	Los Angeles	1	Oscar Kleinbergs	Lat.	133	9	..	100	4	..	46	3	..	72
73	Los Angeles	St. Mark's	1904	1122 W. 36th Place	Los Angeles	1	Howard A. Anspach	E	131	15	..	103	6	..	82	4	..	73
74	Los Angeles	Transfiguration	1947	8515 S. Rayford Dr.	Los Angeles	1	Clifford B. Holand	E	441	28	..	221	20	..	152	20	..	74

(*) New Congregations (1) 100,000 or over (2) 25,000 to 99,999 (3) 10,000 to 24,999 (4) 2,500 to 9,999 (5) 500 to 2499

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75	Manhattan Beach	Trinity	1949	1001 Rowell Ave.	Los Angeles	1	Richard O. Scherch	E	392	81	..	256	44	..	191	47	..	75
76	Monterey Park	St. Paul's	1914	2009 S. Garfield Ave.	Los Angeles	2	Richard M. Bennett	E	504	90	..	284	48	..	239	52	..	76
77	Norco	Bethany	1950	2675 Sierra Ave. Rt. 2, Box 855	Riverside	4	Bruno I. Ederma	E	136	34	..	84	15	..	60	4	..	77
78	North Hollywood	St. Matthew's	1931	11031 Camarillo Ave.	Los Angeles	1	John G. Simmons	E	1115	123	..	621	84	..	527	70	..	78
*79	Orange	Our Savior's	1954	Y. M. C. A.	Orange	3	Harold P. Schluntz	E	96	96	..	55	55	..	55	55	..	79*
80	Pasadena	Trinity	1903	997 E. Walnut St. Zone 4	Los Angeles	1	Carl H. Moyer	E	639	16	..	493	25	..	412	13	..	80
81	Pomona	Trinity	1947	737 S. Hamilton Blvd	Los Angeles	2	J. Wm. Bowman	E	295	47	..	193	26	..	185	25	..	81
82	Redlands	First	1902	East Olive at Myrtle	San Bernardino	3	John D. Foerster	E	340	47	..	216	22	..	150	22	..	82
83	Riverside	Trinity	1892	4144 9th St.	Riverside	2	F. W. Heinecken	E	739	87	..	510	60	..	390	40	..	83
84	San Bernardino	First	1907	1354 G. Street	San Bernardino	2	Arthur W. Alm	E	676	37	..	390	50	..	347	18	..	84
85	San Diego	Christ	1947	4761 Cass St. Zone 9	San Diego	1	Quentin P. Garman	E	964	154	..	586	104	..	560	100	..	85
86	San Diego	First	1888	1320 Second Ave.	San Diego	1	Erwin A. Vosseler	E	838	23	..	721	13	..	330	9	..	86
87	San Diego	St. Peter's	1946	1371 Sunset Cliffs Blvd.	San Diego	1	Vlad P. Benko	E	468	75	..	268	37	..	185	31	..	87
88	San Fernando	St. Mark's	1949	2064 Fifth St.	Los Angeles	3	M. John Fellner	E	315	21	..	171	8	..	103	..	9	88
89	Santa Ana	United	1951	1416 S. Bristol St.	Orange	2	Raymond L. Nickel	E	466	125	..	274	69	..	253	65	..	89
90	Santa Barbara	Grace	1904	1109 Anacapa St.	Santa Barbara	2	Walter M. Ruccius	E	293	3	..	203	7	..	163	3	..	90
91	Santa Monica	St. Paul's	1927	958 Lincoln Blvd.	Los Angeles	2	William W. Klover	E	1025	51	..	566	51	..	356	67	..	91
92	Van Nuys	St. Andrew's	1950	15520 Sherman Way	Los Angeles	1	C. R. Meyer	E	1066	385	..	591	203	..	504	201	..	92
*93	West Covina	Our Saviour's	1954	1409 Pass & Covina Road, Puenta	Los Angeles	3	Chas. M. Witthoft, Jr.	E	134	134	..	75	75	..	63	63	..	93*
94	Westwood	Village	1938	343 Sepulveda Blvd.	Los Angeles	1	A. H. Soldan	E	434	6	..	268	..	..	209	6	..	94
95	Whittier	Salem	1946	6442 S. Glengarry Ave.	Los Angeles	2	David E. Robison	E	957	110	..	557	74	..	401	59	..	
	1954 Totals	Congregations 50					Pastors 70		26071	2983	246	16884	1808	111	12964	1669	44	1954
	1953 Totals	Congregations 46					Pastors 66		23334	2452	1099	15233	1387	376	11339	1280	242	1953
	Increase	4					4		2737	531		1651	421		1625	389		Inc.
	Decrease										853			265			198	Dec.

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46	316	266	227	5	4	9	8	..	7	29	44	..	35	..	8	20	..	28	2	17	19	38	1	19	128	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	8	1	....	....	3	46
47	233	131	110	18	17	35	..	..	2	2	4	31	..	3	2	9	..	32	..	1	7	8	1	21	205	....	....	1	....	16	....	....	32	1	....	....	3	47
48	477	255	221	26	17	43	4	..	9	14	27	16	..	4	20	9	12	45	1	14	21	36	1	21	249	....	45	1	....	50	....	....	47	1	....	....	7	48
49	138	82	71	1	..	1	..	..	..	11	11	..	10	..	..	5	1	6	..	..	28	28	1	7	75	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	....	49
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62	512	318	303	36	43	79	11	2	5	12	30	49	..	2	36	19	16	73	..	6	14	20	1	18	230	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	48	....	....	....	2	62
63	720	395	335	52	46	98	10	..	25	19	54	44	..	8	21	58	8	95	..	29	11	40	1	32	450	2	107	1	1	130	....	....	65	....	....	....	10	63
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71	1472	1174	750	46	12	58	9	..	18	20	47	11	..	17	60	77	..	154	14	63	25	102	1	20	168	....	58	1	11	140	....	....	77	3	....	1	12	71
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89	466	274	253	42	45	87	..	..	23	8	31	56	..	15	26	54	11	106	3	29	5	37	1	21	195	....	33	.. 1	.. 2	.. 12	.. 2	.. 12	59	....	....	....	11	89
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95	957	557	401	53	32	85	14	.	18	17	49	36	..	5	41	70	4	120	2	34	10	46	1	64	650	2	76	....	....	....	....	....	77	....	....	....	12	95
1954	26071	16884	12964	1271	1162	2433	322	8	398	619	1347	1254	168	285	1107	1650	457	3499	123	826	899	1848	51	1104	1050	48	1543	7	16	413	20	137	2175	14	....	16	293	1954
1953	23334	15233	11339	1056	1016	2072	280	5	287	1158	1730	1091	768	199	835	1471	452	2957	119	704	1123	1946	47	965	9145	95	1489	7	11	232	2	24	1841	12	1	15	278	1953
Inc.	2737	1651	1625	215	146	361	42	3	111	....	....	163	....	86	27	179	5	542	4	122	....	....	4	139	1356	....	54	....	5	181	18	113	334	2	....	1	15	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	539	383	....	600	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	224	98	....	....	....	47	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	Dec.

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Index Number	GROUP ORGANIZATIONS								FINANCIAL																						Index Number
	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y.People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			COMGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE												
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTION'D						
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55		56	57	58	
46	1	48	1	50	..	..	1	18	95,000	15,000	43,000	.....	.....	153,000	31,479	12,511	2,404	14,915	125	227	100	240	303	995	2688	2700	3695	18610	46
47	1	18	1	63	..	..	1	20	.....	.....	37,000	.....	.....	37,000	12,000	6,870	7,641	14,511	70	90	180	237	104	681	1680	1080	1762	16272	47
48	..	..	1	30	1	30	2	35	49,444	12,500	.....	.....	.....	61,944	15,815	9,243	3,386	12,629	48	1	....	46	1871	1966	2628	2628	4594	17223	48
49	..	..	1	25	..	..	..	..	25,000	10,000	.....	.....	3,000	38,000	21,356	3,877	2,585	6,462	....	110	....	10	24	144	1044	166	310	6772	49
50	1	31	1	61	1	50	2	35	42,000	13,500	.....	.....	16,000	71,500	47,781	8,116	7,413	15,529	300	....	....	220	407	927	2472	2472	3399	18928	50
51	..	..	2	37	..	..	..	..	110,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	110,000	12,097	6,200	3,111	9,311	15	49	15	123	365	567	1272	400	967	10278	51
52	1	40	3	95	1	40	2	30	23,400	13,300	15,415	.....	5,571	57,686	17,767	6,088	6,494	12,582	50	160	....	25	559	794	2400	2400	3194	15776	52
53	1	20	2	35	2	30	3	60	140,000	18,000	20,000	.....	.....	178,000	66,000	25,104	10,153	35,257	1050	50	....	....	642	1742	2760	2760	4502	39759	53
54	1	13	1	60	..	..	1	20	.....	15,000	.....	.....	30,100	45,100	46,162	5,648	3,517	9,165	75	180	15	210	139	619	1020	1020	1639	16804	54
*55	..	..	1	39	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,433	.....	1,433	....	....	....	....	70	70	.....	189	259	1692	55*
56	1	18	1	18	1	16	2	20	3,500	9,500	.....	.....	6,000	19,000	5,125	5,373	427	5,800	30	33	76	60	39	238	1116	871	1109	6969	56
57	1	41	2	48	..	..	2	54	20,000	15,000	15,000	.....	.....	50,000	7,000	10,926	6,282	17,208	414	310	85	127	188	1124	1368	1386	2510	19718	57
58	1	50	1	168	3	100	3	105	200,000	12,300	210,000	.....	53,677	475,977	183,893	32,875	76,424	109,299	955	1210	1731	2050	4622	10568	12240	12852	23420	132719	58
59	1	30	3	90	2	50	1	20	65,000	25,000	10,000	.....	30,000	130,000	.....	19,152	6,549	25,701	701	635	268	661	654	2919	4440	4640	7559	33260	59
60	1	24	1	36	1	28	1	24	103,289	.....	.....	175	1,543	105,007	4,668	14,363	3,691	18,054	706	263	8	331	560	1868	4608	4608	6476	24530	60
61	1	42	1	44	2	68	7	175	198,730	15,801	.....	.....	.....	214,531	82,046	25,998	20,019	46,017	478	....	....	343	707	1528	6485	6480	8008	54025	61
62	..	..	1	160	1	40	2	40	41,500	12,500	20,000	.....	.....	74,000	33,280	19,206	9,212	28,418	103	98	....	249	445	895	3000	3000	3895	32313	62
63	1	30	3	35	..	..	1	20	42,000	12,000	13,000	.....	.....	67,000	24,000	10,394	10,371	20,765	275	158	126	307	449	1315	3624	3624	4939	25704	63
*64	..	..	1	25	..	..	1	16	.....	12,000	.....	.....	14,128	26,128	24,000	1,900	881	2,781	....	....	....	....	50	50	.....	147	197	2978	64*
65	..	..	1	15	..	..	1	11	.....	15,000	.....	.....	48,540	63,540	15,827	5,315	1,350	6,665	274	....	....	70	261	605	684	786	1391	8056	65
66	1	15	2	25	1	20	2	24	15,600	7,500	.....	.....	.....	23,100	9,182	5,925	685	6,610	20	6	25	150	274	475	1092	1092	1567	8177	66
67	..	..	1	18	..	..	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22,000	22,000	7,250	3,326	.....	3,326	....	....	....	....	39	39	360	360	399	3725	67
68	1	40	1	174	..	..	3	78	252,200	.....	.....	.....	.....	39,633	291,833	3,824	28,148	11,302	39,450	2524	372	1925	1465	2568	8854	7476	7476	16330	55780	68
69	1	12	2	52	3	68	2	27	50,000	16,500	.....	.....	.....	2,974	69,474	7,261	13,569	3,838	17,407	674	278	294	513	1630	3389	2724	2724	6113	23520	69
70	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	50,000	5,000	1,985	1,187	3,172	....	....	....	350	.....	350	600	.....	350	3522	70
71	1	40	3	125	1	30	3	70	100,000	38,000	40,000	3,000	40,000	221,000	15,000	80,899	4,799	85,698	700	5586	188	1482	3054	11010	9000	9000	20010	105708	71
72	..	..	1	10	..	..	1	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	115	115	.....	1,141	.....	1,141	85	....	....	90	56	231	516	516	747	1888	72
73	1	12	2	20	..	..	..	..	27,000	15,000	.....	.....	.....	42,000	11,220	6,250	802	7,052	61	40	....	70	186	357	936	958	1315	8367	73
74	..	..	1	49	1	20	2	55	15,000	18,000	20,000	.....	28,000	81,000	33,578	8,313	2,811	11,124	130	118	....	15	182	445	1584	1584	2029	13153	74

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	Men's		Womn's		Mixed		Y.People		VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY							Congregational Expenses			CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE										
																			UNAPPORTIONED						APPORTIONED				
	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish House	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56		57	58	
75	1	18	1	35	1	40	1	25	42,200	14,000	.....	.....	.....	56,200	41,394	8,527	1,388	9,915	....	28	....	38	457	523	1728	1728	2251	12,166	75
76	1	20	2	45	2	46	3	50	60,000	12,000	.....	.....	6,000	78,000	12,092	12,011	1,317	13,328	477	264	....	24	243	1008	2244	2244	3252	16,580	76
77	1	15	2	40	...	..	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,500	4,500	1,930	3,043	2,808	5,851	14	....	....	....	114	128	672	672	800	6,651	77
78	1	60	2	65	1	70	2	59	150,000	16,500	.....	.....	.....	166,500	54,277	32,880	407	33,287	338	597	212	50	594	1791	5484	5484	7275	40,562	78
*79	1	8	3	18	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,500	4,500	4,000	2,588	210	2,798	....	....	....	50	28	78	.....	183	261	3,059	79*
80	..	..	2	95	2	60	1	20	82,515	21,715	2,500	23,112	13,571	143,413	.....	18,115	1,928	20,043	1436	320	1230	1059	1359	5404	4788	4800	10204	30,247	80
81	..	..	4	40	1	50	1	20	44,000	10,000	11,000	.....	.....	65,000	17,992	6,825	1,580	8,405	....	....	....	....	202	202	1920	1920	2122	10,527	81
82	1	35	2	40	...	..	1	19	15,000	13,000	9,000	.....	.....	37,000	6,450	6,669	1,283	7,952	515	135	20	15	445	1130	1536	1536	2666	10,618	82
83	1	80	2	100	2	80	3	80	20,000	12,000	10,000	.....	10,000	52,000	.....	14,140	18,091	32,231	....	300	100	....	897	1297	4200	4200	5497	37,728	83
84	..	..	2	65	1	50	3	65	130,000	12,500	.....	.....	.....	142,500	31,901	20,961	4,500	25,461	60	30	60	710	431	1291	3948	3950	5241	30,702	84
85	1	50	1	75	1	50	10	350	150,000	30,000	85,000	.....	20,000	285,000	150,500	17,548	36,340	53,888	200	210	550	1695	848	3503	5520	5520	9023	62,911	85
86	1	25	2	80	1	50	1	25	60,000	15,000	65,000	.....	.....	140,000	26,654	16,654	3,247	19,901	1839	560	130	194	487	3210	3852	3852	7062	26,963	86
87	1	24	1	40	2	36	1	40	29,000	12,000	30,000	.....	13,500	84,500	38,000	8,297	14,366	22,663	230	230	....	....	199	659	1848	1848	2507	25,170	87
88	..	..	2	31	...	..	1	22	20,000	12,000	13,000	.....	.....	45,000	16,122	3,332	2,000	5,332	10	10	....	5	.....	25	1344	985	1010	6,342	88
89	..	..	1	41	2	36	1	10	70,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	70,000	51,250	16,322	775	17,097	31	152	6	21	108	318	2256	1128	1446	18,543	89
90	1	18	2	45	1	20	1	10	30,000	10,000	.....	.....	3,000	43,000	50	8,613	100	8,713	335	42	33	124	893	1427	1920	1951	3378	12,091	90
91	1	30	1	100	1	35	1	35	150,000	20,777	.....	.....	27,175	197,952	34,786	17,501	4,688	22,189	100	96	....	154	2154	2504	3468	3907	6411	28,600	91
92	1	70	1	60	3	60	3	84	66,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	66,000	28,000	15,604	10,436	26,040	681	50	188	1295	494	2708	3636	3636	6344	32,384	92
*93	..	..	1	18	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	772	55	827	....	9	9	54	.....	72	.....	244	316	1,143	93*
94	..	..	1	46	1	60	1	15	100,000	.....	.....	.....	10,000	110,000	11,528	14,803	1,800	16,603	....	....	....	....	180	180	2436	973	1153	17,756	94
95	1	22	1	95	1	42	2	125	37,000	13,000	14,000	.....	6,700	70,700	7,900	17,037	5,498	22,535	1032	137	229	697	1017	3112	4104	4114	7226	29,761	95
1954	32	999	78	2781	44	1375	85	2032	2,924,378	545,893	682,915	26,287	460,227	4,639,700	1277437	642,390	320,151	962,541	17161	13144	7803	15629	31,598	85,335	136,116	132,794	218,129	1,180,670	1954
1953	32	939	71	2466	41	1319	74	1608	2,404,621	480,431	438,500	.....	448,818	3,772,370	917972	541,765	363,256	905,021	43587	15025	3922	16178	36,477	115,189	110,940	110,453	225,642	1,130,663	1953
Inc.	...	10	7	315	3	56	11	424	519,757	65,462	244,415	26,287	11,409	867,330	359465	100,625	.....	57,520	....	....	3881	....	.....	.....	25,176	22,341	.....	50,007	Inc.
Dec.		....	..	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43,105	.....	26126	1881	....	549	4,879	29,854	.....	.....	7,513	.....	Dec.

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SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES—Continued

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	Congregation	When Organized	ADDRESS: GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION						COUNTY	Population	PASTOR As of December 31, 1954	Languages Used in Worship Services	MEMBERSHIP: BAPTIZED: Number of Members	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	BAPTIZED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	CONFIRMED: Number of Members	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	CONFIRMED: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	COMMUNING: Number of Members	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Gain	COMMUNING: Gain or Loss: Net Loss	Index Number
				Geographical Loc. of Church Bldg.						Total		Pastors		14			15			16			
				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)														
	Ariz. Conference	Congregations,		4		1	1	..	1	7				4515	532	13	2990	327	26	2504	259	36	
	Haw. Conference	Congregations,		3		..	2	..	..	5				894	121	58	523	75	30	385	133	..	
	North. Conference	Congregations,		14	12	3	4	..	..	33				14455	1610	271	9085	953	252	6629	804	71	
	South. Conference	Congregations,		21	19	9	1	..	..	50				26071	2983	246	16884	1808	111	12964	1669	44	
	1954 Totals.....	Congregations,		42	31	13	8	..	1	95		129		45975	5246	588	29482	3163	419	22482	2865	151	1954
	1953 Totals.....	Congregations,		41	32	9	5	..	..	88		121		41369	4714	1435	26794	2842	629	19767	2336	495	1953
	Increase.....	Congregations,										8		4606	532	.....	2688	321	.....	2715	1865	.....	Inc.
	Decrease.....	.....	....											.....	.....	847	.....	.....	210	.....	.....	344	Dec.

SUMMARY BY CONFERENCES, TABLE 1—Continued

MEMBERSHIP — CHILD MEMBERS

Index Number	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Accessions: By Baptism 1	Accessions: By Certificate 2	Accessions: Total A	Losses: Trans. by Confirm. 3	Losses: By Death 4	Losses: By Certificate 5	Losses: By Dismissl 6	Losses: Total B	Gain or Loss: Net Gain	Gain or Loss: Net Loss
Ar.	4515	2,999	2504	203	198	401	56	..	46	81	183	218	..
Ha.	894	523	385	61	91	152	..	1	13	120	134	57	39
No.	14,495	9,085	6629	733	564	1297	181	1	252	267	701	698	102
So.	26,071	16,884	12964	1271	1162	2433	322	8	398	619	1347	1254	168
1954	45,965	29,482	22482	2268	2015	4283	559	10	709	1087	2365	2227	309
1953	41,369	26,794	19767	1891	1810	3701	438	15	562	1680	2635	2034	980
Inc.	4,606	2,688	2715	377	205	582	121	...	207	....	....	193	....
Dec.	......	......	....	....	....	....	..	5	....	593	270	....	671

MEMBERSHIP — ADULT MEMBERS

Index Number	Accessions: By Baptism 7	Accessions: By Confirm. 8	Accessions: By Certificate 9	Accessions: By Restoration 10	Accessions: Total C	Losses: By Death 11	Losses: By Certificate 12	Losses: By Dismissl 13	Losses: Total D
Ar.	39	201	287	79	606	11	158	136	305
Ha.	11	71	80	44	206	5	28	128	161
No.	166	634	792	232	1824	79	418	636	1133
So.	285	1107	1650	457	3499	123	826	899	1848
1954	501	2013	2809	812	6135	218	1430	1799	3447
1953	385	1465	2486	960	5296	194	1143	1740	3083
Inc.	116	548	323	.....	839	24	287	53	357
Dec.	....	....	.....	148	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

EDUCATION — PARISH / HIGHER

Index Number	Sunday Schools: Number 17	Sunday Schools: Staff Members 18	Sunday Schools: In Sun. School 19	Sunday Schools: In Hme Dept. 20	Sunday Schools: Cradle Roll 21	Weekday Schools: Number 22	Weekday Schools: Teachrs 23	Weekday Schools: Pupils 24	Children of Church: Leaders 25	Children of Church: Pupils 26	Number of Catechumens 27	Higher: In Lutheran Seminaries 28	Higher: In Lutheran Motherhouses 29	Higher: In Other Luth. Insts. 30	Higher: In Non-Luth. Insts. 31	Index Number
Ar.	7	263	1772	22	256	4	3	55	..	..	387	2	..	1	82	Ar.
Ha.	6	68	582	5	32	..	..	..	2	29	124	..	..	23	6	Ha.
No.	37	583	5084	189	977	2	2	24	9	60	2339	7	1	6	200	No.
So.	51	1104	10501	48	1543	7	16	413	20	137	2175	14	..	16	293	So.
1954	101	2018	17939	264	2808	13	21	452	31	226	5025	16	1	46	581	1954
1953	92	1743	15613	281	2591	10	21	264	4	76	3358	26	1	42	522	1953
Inc.	9	275	2326	...	217	3	....	88	27	150	1667	....	..	4	59	Inc.
Dec.	....	....	.....	17	....	....		....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	Dec.

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GROUP ORGANIZATIONS / FINANCIAL — VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY

Index Number	Men's: Number 32	Men's: Members 33	Womn's: Number 34	Womn's: Members 35	Mixed: Number 36	Mixed: Members 37	Y. People: Number 38	Y. People: Members 39	Church Building 40	Parsonage 41	School and/or Parish House 42	Endowment 43	Other Property 44	Total Valuation 45	Indebtedness 46
Ar.	4	135	10	483	6	353	12	299	515,536	84,000	205,500	5,126	61,166	871,328	320,814
Ha.	..	..	5	157	3	62	3	66	311,850	98,500	28,500	....	15,377	454,227	101,649
No.	21	583	51	1780	20	692	45	925	1,926,555	338,700	278,500	100,500	353,944	3,003,199	769,744
So.	32	999	78	2781	44	1375	85	2032	2,924,378	545,893	682,915	26,287	460,227	4,639,700	1277437
1954	57	1717	144	5201	73	2482	145	3322	5,678,319	1,067,093	1195415	131,913	895,714	8,968,454	2469644
1953	54	1669	138	4574	68	2195	135	2806	4,960,987	886,398	809,500	80,500	705,881	7,443,266	1793857
Inc.	3	48	6	627	5	287	10	516	717,332	180,695	385915	51,413	189,833	1,525,188	675,787
Dec.	...	....	....	.....	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

FINANCIAL — CONGREGATIONAL EXPENSES / CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE

Index Number	Congregational Expenses: Current 47	Congregational Expenses: Unusual 48	Congregational Expenses: Total 49	Unapportioned: Education 50	Unapportioned: Foreign Missions 51	Unapportioned: American Missions 52	Unapportioned: Social Missions 53	Unapportioned: Other Benevolence 54	Unapportioned: Total 55	Apportioned: Amount Apportioned	Apportioned: Amount Paid 56	Total Benevolence 57	Total Expenditures 58	Index Number
Ar.	81,610	64,919	146,529	3169	1167	877	1541	4,869	11,623	27,360	27,635	39,258	185,787	Ar.
Ha.	25,049	11,522	36,571	657	99	26	198	1,434	2,414	3,024	3,373	5,787	42,358	Ha.
No.	300,109	167,788	467,897	6519	4159	4302	5874	19,419	40,273	70,752	66,807	107,080	574,977	No.
So.	642,390	320,151	962,541	17161	13144	7803	15629	31,598	85,335	136,116	132,794	218,129	1180670	So.
1954	1049158	564,380	1,613,538	27506	18569	13008	23242	57,320	139,645	237,252	230,609	370,254	1983792	1954
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